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# France and the IMF Press Aid for Algeria

### Risk Seen to Funds if Government Falls to Islamic Fundamentalists

By Alan Friedman

PARIS - As civil strife and a campaign of Islamic insurrection escalate in Algeria, the government of France and the International Monetary Fund are leading a behind-the-scenes effort to provide hillions of dollars of fresh international and dollars of fresh interna national aid and debt relief to the country's military-backed regime, Western officials and economists said

Government and financial officials on both sides of the Atlantic described the campaign, which is being spear-headed by Michel Camdessus, the IMF's managing director, as potentially risky. Their main worry is that any new funds for Algeria could be at risk if Islamic fundamentalists were to take

The finance minister of a leading European country, who spoke on condition that he not be identified, said: There is a great French concern and desire to support the present Algerian government, which is reflected in Camdessus's attitude. And the Algerian government has a pretty good economie adjustment program under way."

But when asked if it was advisable to proceed with fresh aid while civil conflict smolders, the finance minister added: "Of course it is risky; most certainly it is risky at a time like this,"

In Washington, a government official said the Clinton administration had supported past IMF efforts in Algeria and was aware of current discussions and was aware of current discussions about providing further money. "It doesn't make sense to pull the plng, but you've got to realize that the economic risks in Algeria are very high because of the political situation," the official said.

The financial stakes are high - some \$25 billion of ourstanding foreign debt plus about \$15 billion of foreign investment, largely related to the energy sector. In addition, Algeria is Europe's

third-biggest supplier of natural gas, just behind Russia and Norway. In April of last year, Mr. Camdessus took the lead in organizing a \$1 billion standby loan for Algeria. A senior IMF official in Washington with responsibility for Algeria's economic program said in an interview that an additional \$1 billion IMF loan could be in the offing once last year's credit is completed this March. He said this would depend on

an economic review by the IMF.
France, meanwhile, which is Algeriance, meanwine, which is Algeria's biggest trading partner, is providing Algiers with 6 billion francs (\$1.1 billion) a year of export credits. French exports to Algeria totaled 10.6 hillion francs in the first 10 months of 1994, according to the CNPF, the French industrialists' federation dustrialists' federation.

Mr. Camdessus has also been encour-Mr. Camdessus has also been encouraging separate financial relief such as the rescheduling in 1994 of \$5 hillion of government debt by the Paris Chub group of wealthy creditor nations. A further \$1 billion of loans coming due this year is also likely to be rescheduled, bankers and government officials said.

The IMF and France have also been morehing closely with Society Générale.

working closely with Societé Générale, the hig French bank that is heading a committee of commercial hanks which are owed \$4.7 billion, bankers and government officials in France said. Société Générale, and such other hanks as Sakura Bank of Japan and Chase Manhattan of the United States, are discussing the prospect of an Algerian debt re-scheduling that could cover at least \$1 billion of principal that will fall due in

Finally, both France and Mr. Camdessus have encouraged aid from the European Union, which last year pledged 150 million Ecus worth of loans and in December approved a further 250 million Ecus of aid.

Diplomats note that concern has See ALGERIA, Page 4



#### A Chechen woman in Grozny scanning the sky Monday for Russian bombers.

# **And Offers Amnesty** Cost of War

Russia Orders Truce

# Severe Blow To Reforms

By Lee Hockstader Washington Past Service
MOSCOW — Russia's disastrous war in

Chechnya, now entering its fifth week, has shattered Moscow's financial and budgetary plans for 1995 and thrown into question the future of economic reforms, ac-

cording to economists here and abroad.

With no immediate letup in sight, the war has cost the country \$2 hillion to \$5. billion, according to unofficial estimates, and continues to drain the nation's meager coffers at a rate of nearly \$30 million a day.

Rebuilding even the most hasic elements of Chechnya's pulverized infrastructure and industry, including large oil refineries. would cost much more.

It is money that Russia can ill-afford to spend in the midst of a delicate transition to a market economy. President Boris N. Yeltsin launched the war Dec. 11, on the eve of what Russian officials described as a critical economic crossroads—the intro-duction of an ambitious, anti-inflationary 1995 budget planned to slash monthly in-flation to 3 or 4 percent.

But that reform program depended on tight limits on government spending that have been dashed by the military debacle in Chechnya, It also relied heavily on an infusion of cash from the West, which also

lions of dollars in loans that would now be used largely to finance the Chechen war. Those funds, including a \$6.4 billion loan pending from the International Monetary Fund, were originally designed to help stabilize the Russian economy and

increasingly to be in the grip of a power

ed their own crembin but don't work."

presidential advisory council, wrote in Izvestia on Dec. 29: "Even today these expenses have brought us to the point beyond which the current fragile financial balance will inevitably collapse. Two or three more weeks of this and we will have to say good-bye to the entire economic plan, which is designed to get us out of the economic crisis in three years."

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may be now seriously jeopardized.

Western officials say there is already a growing reluctance to extend Moscow hil-

strengthen the currency.

Among some senior Western experts, there is a sense that one heavy casualty of the war has been the credibility of the Russian government, which has lost the backing of most reformers and appears

struggle.
"More than affecting the credibility of financial programming and projections, pohiicians," a Western economist in Moscow said. "There's a sense there's something rotten in the institutions that exist

Otto Latsis, a columnist and member of

Former Prime Minister Yegor T. Gai-

### Compiled by Our Stoff From Dispatches SEOUL - North Korea said Monday

that it would lift restrictions on trade and financial transactions with the United States as part of the recent nuclear accord between the two countries.

The North's official press agency, KCNA, quoted an unidentified Foreign Ministry spokesman as saying that the decision, to be put into effect in mid-January, would also allow the entry of U.S. ships into North Korean ports and open telecommunications services between the

By Lawrence Malkin

NEW YORK - The Federal Reserve

intervened to support the Mexican peso on

Monday, sending the dollar into a tailspin even though the U.S. central bank was using funds from Mexico rather than U.S.

money.

Mexico drew on its international rescue

package for the first time to replenish its foreign currency reserves and try to restore investors confidence in its currency. While

the government did not directly intervene

in the currency markets, the central hank

allowed short-term interest rates in the

government bill market to soar to 50 per-cent by buying almost 1 billion pesos

This helped the currency, but pummeled

the stock market, where the Bolsa index lost 6.65 percent — a record one-day loss

- on fears that such high rates would

worth of bills in the open market.

plunge the country into recession.

U.S. Lends a Hand to Peso,

Sending Dollar Into a Spin

### This means that we have completely fulfilled our obligation under the provision on the reduction of the barriers to trade and investment stipulated in the DPRK-U.S. framework agreement," the spokesman said, using the initials for the Demo-cratic People's Republie of Korea.

Under the Oct. 21 nuclear accord, the United States and North Korea are required to case restrictions on trade and investment in each other's country within three months of the signing date.

On Monday, the United States welcomed the North's move and said it would

sum would eventually be paid back - the

Federal Reserve was still spending the U.S. currency, sending jitters through the mar-

Dealers said the Federal Reserve spent

between \$5 million and \$10 million in

small parcels to give confidence to the Mexican foreign exchange market before it

opened. They said it repeated the interven-

tion later in the morning as the peso

The peso had slipped to 6.1 against the dollar Friday night, a level that the United States, as Mexico's principal trading partner and guarantor, did not want to see validated by markets on Monday. The in-

tervention did the trick, for the moment,

with the dollar slipping to 5.375 pesos in

The dollar slid to 1.5370 Deutsche marks from 1.5635 on Friday and to 99.90 yen from 101.375 yen. It fell to 5.3145

French francs from 5.3988 francs and to

12875 Swiss francs from 1.3100. The

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North Korea Takes a Big Trade Step Toward U.S.

be examining its own steps to improve ties yang's suspected nuclear weapons pro-with Pyongyang over the next few months. with Pyongyang over the next few months. "We view this as a step that is consistent with the framework agreement to improve ties between the two countries," a senior administration official said of the decision.

North Korea's announcement came on the eve of a new round of talks between Japan, South Korea and the United States on financing \$4 billion in new nuclear technology as part of the North Korean

The deal, signed after months of negotiations, is aimed at dismantling Pyong-

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nuclear reactors, along with financial aid

As part of the deal, the North will dis-

mantle by 2003 its three outdated graphite

core reactors, which can produce weapons-

grade plutonium more readily than the two

modern light-water reactors it will receive

In Washington, meanwhile, a senior State Department official said Monday

and diplomatic recognition.

for generating electricity.

### Kiosk

### **Outage Disrupts Newark Airport**

NEWARK, New Jersey (AP) - Construction workers damaged main electrical cables serving terminals at Newark International Airport on Monday, forcing all international and many domestic

flights to be canceled or diverted.
The airport general manager, Ben De-Costa, said power would not be restored before Tuesday morning, at the earliest. The problem did not affect the control tower or airport navigational aids, but knocked out baggage carousels, loading ramps, elevators and escalators, computers and other equipment in the terminals. About 1,200 flights move through Newark International daily.

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APPLES FOR JAPAN — A Tokyo supermarket clerk piling up American apples. They went on sale Monday for the first time in Japan. Page 9.

#### For its part, the dollar tumbled because even though the U.S. central bank was buying pesos on behalf of Mexico — the Up 0.24% Down 6.06 110.57 3861.35 The Dollar 1.5635 Pound 101.375 99.90 5.3145

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### Rock and Roll in China: There's 'Nothin' Left to Lose' By Patrick E. Tyler New York Times Service

BEIJING — Lu Fei, a rotund former drummer and opera singer who mustered out of the army and into China's rock music scene a few years ago, sighed recently

and said what most young people in the country already know: "Rock and roll in China is sort of lost now." Pulling on his Chinese cigarette at a Western hotel restaurant, Mr. Lu, who manages a rock band named Stones, added: "Everything in China is kind of lost now, without an anchor. The music we do is for other people to

explain, because we don't really know what it means." His lament is the lament of what seems an ever-smaller circle of young Chinese who remain devoted to the rock music culture that was spawned in the 1980s by China's opening to the outside world and by the loosening of

Communist Party controls over the country's social life. The heady days when China's distinct brand of rock music throbbed with the anthems of rebellion, and lent its decibels to the democracy movement on China's campuses, ended in 1989 with the crackdown on Tiananmen

Rock in China has been trying to stage a comeback

"You know," said Mr. Lu, who is 33, "Cui Jian said something good: In the West, rock music is a way to defy the law, but in China, we were making the law. He was referring to Cui Jian, China's principal rock

icon, whose musical complaint "Nothing to My Name" sounded the alienation of the post-Mao generation that took over Tiananmen Square in the spring of 1989. Wuer Kaixi, a student leader who fled China after the

crackdown, said in an interview that the song summed up

the lives of the demonstrators at Tiananmen. Cut off from parents who had given selflessly to communism, and separated from older brothers and sisters who were radicalized by the civil strife of the Cultural Revolution, the generation that grew up in the 1980s had to invent its own culture.

"Apart from our strength," Mr. Wuer said, "we had

nothing to our name."

In the years of repression after Tiananmen, Mr. Cui was occasionally able to hreak through to China's young rock fans, as he did in May 1992. On an outdoor stage in Nanjing during a government-sponsored fund-raising event, he taunted the police watching over him by saying: 'So, I see Nanjing is another of my liberated areas!'

Mr. Cui, 33, is still making music, but his profile has been lowered substantially hy the times. "Sometimes I can play, sometimes I can't play," he said in an interview. "There is still a lot of chaos in the

management of the cultural field." Large concerts are rare in Beijing these days, and small concerts are controlled by Public Security forces, with many events canceled at the last minute on the whim of

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### Chechens Get 48 Hours To Disarm

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

MOSCOW — Russia on Monday announced a unilateral 48-hour cease-fire in Chechnya starting at 0400 GMT Tuesday and ordered the rebels to halt their resistance and disarm within that time.

A statement distributed by the Har-Tass

A statement distributed by the Itar-Tass press agency said the decision was prompt-ed by Moscow's desire to explore chances for a peaceful solution to the Chechen

The statement, made on behalf of President Boris N. Yeltsin, said all rebel fighters who laid down their weapons would be free under amnesty and allowed to go

\*The government of the Russian Federation expresses hope that the members of illegal armed formations will accept the offer for the sake of restoring peace," the

Earlier Monday, Moscow's human-rights commissioner, Sergei A. Kovalev. said Prime Minister Viktor S. Chernomyrdin hacked his plan for a two-day ceasefire, allowing Russian troops to bury their dead and withdraw the wounded from the

Chechen capital of Grozny. Mr. Kovalev said he was heading to Grozny to negotiate the truce with the

Chechen leaders.
In Grozny, Russian troops and the rebels were locked in street hattles on Monday as the Russians poured in thousands of infantrymen in a major assault on the

presidential palace.
The Russian rocket and mortar harrages of recent days gave way to tank fire and machine-gun and small-arms attacks.

The area around the presidential palace, the symbol of Chechnya's independence drive and Russia's main target, was a whirlwind of shrapnel, bullets and shells. Plumes of black smoke towered over the

The Chechen soldiers were clearly exhausted as they battled the fresher Russian troops. More Russian reinforcements arrived on Monday, and a battalion of 30 tanks moved toward the city on one road.

racing overwhelming lifebower, the Chechens were increasingly somber, with faces haggard and eyes red from lack of sleep after 10 days of fighting. They said they remained determined to fight, but the area they held appeared to be shrinking.

Moscow appears determined to try to end the war quickly as possible, and at almost any cost. On Monday, residents of two Chechen villages where 48 captured Russian paratroops were suspected of heing held gathered at a mosque to beg Russian homber pilots for mercy.

On Sunday, Itar-Tass reported that a Russian radio broadcast had threatened to bomh and destroy Alkazurovo and other villages unless all the paratroops were re-

Some Chechens said they believed the Russians wanted to crush the rebels quickly, ahead of a special session of the lower house of the Russian Parliament, which will debate the conflict on Wednesday. For the first time in the fighting for

Grozny that began Dec. 31 there were clear battle lines, with Russian infantrymen try-See RUSSIA, Page 4

### **Aftershocks** Of Fighting in Ex-Yugoslavia

By Stephen Kinzer New York Times Service

RIJEKA, Croatia - A few months ago, a former Croatian soldier stormed into a bar in Osijek, opened fire and killed four patrons. Government officials were quick to assert that the killer was a run-of-themill psychopath, and that his murderous outhurst had nothing to do with his military service.

"We are faced with far fewer psychiatric problems in our army than we might expect," asserted Vlado Jukic, the chief army psychiatrist, "because our soldiers are defending their own soil and fighting for their own freedom."

But despite such denials, other doctors assert that post-traumatic stress is a serious problem across the former Yugoslavia. They say that long after the war is over, societies here will be confronting extraordinary rates of divorce, alcoholism, drug abuse, suicide, and domestic and public violence.

At the clinical hospital in Rijeka, 195 kilometers (120 miles) southwest of Zagreb, a team of physicians and therapists has opened what they say is the only program in the former Yugoslavia dedicated to treating war veterans who suffer from post-traumatic stress. Most of the patients, veterans of the war with Serbian-dominated Yugoslavia that crupted after Croatia seceded in 1991, have committed or wit-

nessed ghastly acts.
"This war is creating a complex of social

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By Barton Gellman

Washington Past Service
JERUSALEM — As if his political fortunes had not sagged enough, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has been forced to defend himself against allegations that he came to power two and a half years ago in an elec-tion-eve conspiracy with the Pales-tine Liberation Organization.

According to the newly published memoirs of a PLO oegotiator, Mr. Rabin's Labor Party asked the Palestimians to help improve Labor's prospects in the 1992 election by ensuring that there would be oo breakthrough in negotiations with the Likud government of then-Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Mr. Rabin's representative, so the story goes, also asked the PLO to help turn out the Israeli Arab vote and urge Israel's fractious Arab parties, which are aligned with Mr. Rabin today, to unite.

It was a curious plot, if such there was, because it called on all sides to do what they were already doing. The Labor "bordered on treason."

By Clyde Haberman

New York Times Service TEL AVIV - Defense Secre-

tary William J. Perry said Mon-

day that Washington and Israel

were "both very much con-

cerned" about Iran's potential

nuclear threat, but said that the

Iranians were still "many, many

years" away from developing

rael on Monday night, the sec-retary agreed with Prime Minis-ter Yitzhak Rabin that 7 to 15

years was "a reasonable esti-mate" of how loog it might take

This estimate was longer than

the five years or less forecast

recently by some senior Ameri-

But the possibility that there is a longer lead time than those

officials say did not lessen the

severity of Mr. Perry's warning

about Iran's potential for be-

coming a nuclear power. And

there is always a danger, he

said, of Tehran speeding up the program with a "shortcut meth-

od" like acquiring highly en-

riched uranium or weapons

from Russia or other nuclear

program is directed to keeping

outside assistance and nuclear

weapons from getting to Iran or

"A major part of the U.S.

powers with cash problems.

Iran at its present pace.

can and Israeli officials.

Ending a two-day visit to Is-

an atomic bomb.

PLO had long since deadlocked with Mr. Shamir's government, and Mr. Shamir himself told an Israeli oewspaper after the election that he intended the talks to go nowhere. Also, attempts by the PLO chairman, Yasser Arafac, to broker Israeli Arah politics, well known here for years, were no more successful in 1992 than

they had been before. Further tangling the story, all the plot's reported participants — including Mr. Rabin, through his office; the author of the memors, the PLO oegotiator Mahmoud Ahhas. and the man he said was the envoy. Said Kanaan — oow deny that the conspiracy took place. Mr. Ahbas

low, and it was considered a sign of was played big by Israel's popular press. The country's best-selling newspapers carried headlines on his statement that the allegations against

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meeting with Mr. Rabin, who is

also the Israeli defense minister.

program is only for peaceful purposes, but Israeli and Amer-

ican officials dismiss that asser-

tion, saying that Tehran is buy-

ing ouclear technology rather

than developing its own.

Western analysts' concerns

have focused on nuclear facili-

ties in Bushehr, oo the Gulf, where there are unfinished reac-

tors. Work at Bushehr has been

interrupted several times since

the Islamic revolution in 1979,

hut now the Russians have

agreed to complete the facili-

ties, a project that some special-

ists say could take three or four

■ Dissent in Arafat's Ranks

York Times reported from Jeri-

The Palestinian Authority

came under pressure on from its

own members to resist Israeli

settlement activity on Monday

when some of its leaders de-

manded a suspension of negotiatioos with Israel unless it

stopped building in the West

But even as they spoke at a

cho, West Bank:

Joel Greenberg of The New

Iran insists that its ouclear

The current Likud leader, Benja-min Netanyahu, demanded a com-

mission of inquiry. Although as many as two years off, the next national elections do not

'A strong government would have brushed this story off its sleeve like an insect. But this government of Yitzhak Rabin is not strong.'

Menachem Shalev, writing in the newspaper Ma'ariv.

look good at the moment for Mr. Rabin. It is possible, as well, that Israel's slippery coalitioo politics will suddenly shift to deprive him of his might withdraw it, then flipped again strong."

parliamentary majority, thus forcing and reluctantly stuck by the plan. early elections.

A change of government would mean a significant change of direc-tion for Israeli diplomacy. Mr. Ne-tanyahu and other senior Likud leaders have said they would cease movement toward Palestinian selfrule and might reverse the transfer of rule and might reverse the transfer of powers that Mr. Rabin has made. They have strongly opposed proposals to return the Golan Heights to Syria, and former Defense Minister Ariel Sharoo has said that Likud would not honor any such agreement that Mr. Rabin signed.

Mr. Rabin has been plagued most of all by an upsurge in terror since October. The polister Hannoch Smith, who has surveyed voters here for 17 years, said that "the personal security issue ranks oumber one, two. three and four" for Israeli voters.

But Mr. Rabin also has repeatedly tripped in domestic politics. He

When word reached him on a trip to South Korea that inflation had reached more than 14 percent a year, the cameras caught him in a rather un-prime ministerial "Oy, vey!" And most recently his party has been in open rebellion, with his own parliamentary faction chairman opposing Mr. Rabin's policy on the length of the school day. the school day.

If the election were held today, Mr. Smith said, Labor's 42-to-37 lead over Likud in parliamentary seats would become a 32-to-44 deficit. Mr. Rabin has patched together the necessary 61 members on crucial votes in the 120-seat Parliament with a collection of leftist parties, Israeli Arabs and a couple of rightist defectors. But such a majority would be well beyood his reach with only 32 Labor

"A strong government would have brushed this story off its sleeve like an insect," wrote Menachem Shalev in the newspaper Ma'ariv, "But this government of Yitzhak Rabin is not

### WORLD BRIEFS

### Ex-Malawi Leader Is Denied Bail

BLANTYRE, Malawi (AP) — Former President Hastings, Kamuzu Banda, facing murder charges linked to the deaths of four politicisms a decade ago, was denied bail at a court hearing. Monday and will go on trial Jan. 15, the government said.

Mr. Banda, in his 90s and ailing after brain surgery, did not attend the magistrate's court where lawyers filed his bail application of the pation's longitude rules.

tion, a government spokesman said. The nation's longtime ruler has been under house arrest in Blantyre since Wednesday.

His senior associate, John Tembo, former minister of state in charge of the police, was also denied bail in the brief hearing along with two former police officers accused of involvement in the 1983 assassinations of three government ministers and a member of Parliament.

#### **UN Considers Curbs on Land Mines**

GENEVA (AP) - A United Nations meeting on new international laws against land mines opened Monday under criticism that its proposals will do little to reduce the loss of life and limb caused by the weapons.

The two-week meeting of experts is meant to prepare a new draft convention for a ministerial conference later this year on controlling anti-personnel mines. The proposals being considered for the draft fall short of an outright ban.

There are about 100 million mines in 60 countries. Each month about 800 people are killed and thousands are maimed. Many of. the casualties occur years, sometimes decades, after a conflict has

#### Truce Terms Violated in Sri Lanka

COLOMBO (Reuters) — A truce between Sri Lankan government troops and Tamil rebels was violated just a day after it began when rebels were seen moving in a restricted area outside an army camp, military sources said Monday. But the incident passed peacefully and was unlikely to affect the two-week cease-fire. "It is a minor violation and won't hamper the cease-fire," said a

military field officer, who reported that a group of 15 rebels were spotted on Sunday night in a restricted zone outside an army camp on the oorthern Jaffna Peninsula. Under an agreement signed by President Chandrika Bandaran

ike Knmaratunga and Tamil rebels last week, government and rebel troops will maintain present ground positions, keeping a minimum of 600 meters (650 yards) between each other. The truce, which will be monitored by foreign observers, came into force at midnight Saturday in a major step toward ending a 12-year separatist war that has cost more than 30,000 lives.

#### Stone Age Art Doomed in Portugal

LISBON (AP) — Despite pleas by archaeologists and artists, the state electric company announced Monday that it would go ahead with construction of a dam that will submerge

a rare gallery of Stone Age carvings.

The Coa River gallery, made up of some 60 animal figures chiseled on a granite riverbank at least 20,000 years ago, is considered one of the most important outdoor displays of Stone Age art in the world.

### Rwanda's Army Arrests 2 in Attack

BUSANZE CAMP, Rwanda, (Reuters) - Rwanda's government army said Monday that its troops attacked a camp in the southwest, where 12 homeless people were slaughtered and more than 30 were wounded. A spokesman for the Rwanda Patriotic Army said two officers were arrested in connection with the attack Saturday on Busanze camp near the border with Burundi in which he said 11 people were killed.

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Aid workers who visited Busanze on Sunday found a trench, filled with 12 corpses, five of them children, with limbs broken by machete blows and executed with a bullet to the back of the head.

A total of 36 wounded were taken from the camp to the Medical-Emergency Relief International health center at Kunyomhyi. UN.

officials confirmed that 12 people were killed in the attack.

Some aid workers said Sunday that they suspected gunmen loyal to the ousted Hutu regime in Rwanda were behind the raid.

But a spokesman for the Rwanda Patriotic Army, Major Wilson Rutyasire, said a grenade was thrown at an unauthorized army foot patrol outside the camp. The patrol opened fire and killed [1]

### **Auschwitz Ceremony Plans Assailed**

BRUSSELS (Reuters) — The head of the International Ausch-witz Committee said Monday that he was disappointed by Poland's "chaotic" preparations for ceremonies marking the 50th anniversary of the Nazi death camp's liberation.

Nobel Peace Prize winners that the committee requested be invited had not received official invitations from the Polish government and, with only two weeks to go, there was still no official program, said Maurice Goldstein of Belgium, an Auschwitz survivor. "I'm deeply disappointed by the lightweight and chaotic manner in which this ceremony is being prepared," he said.

Camp survivors and representatives of 26 nations are expected at the ceremony on Jan. 26 and 27, which is being jointly organized by Poland and the Auschwitz Committee.

Savimbi and Angola Leader to Meet

LISBON (Reuters) — President José Eduardo dos Santos of
Angola and Jonas Savimbi, the leader of the UNITA rebel army,
will meet Friday in Zaire, the Portuguese news agency, LUSA,
reported Monday. Spokesmen for the Angolan Embassy and the
UNITA delegation in Lisbon said they were unable to confirm or
deny the report. deny the report.

The government and UNITA signed a peace accord in the Zamhian capital, Lusaka, in November, but each side has since

accused the other of violating a cease-fire. LUSA quoted a government source as saying the rival leaders would meet in the Zairian town of Gbadolite on Friday, three days after a scheduled meeting of their military commanders in the Angolan city of Huambo.

#### For the Record

Five children were among seven people gunned down in Durban, South Africa, after a wedding ceremooy in the latest eruption of violence in strife-torn KwaZulu/Natal province.

(AP)

In Asynt, Egypt, policemen killed three youths believed to be Muslim militants, the loterior Ministry said.

(Reuters)

Nigeria's conference on a return to civilian rule voted to adjourn to March 6 to give its drafting committee more time to prepare a final report to the military government. (Reuters)

### TRAVEL UPDATE

Traffic Rises for European Airlines

BRUSSELS (AFP) — The main airlines in the European Union increased their traffic by 11.5 percent in November compared with November 1993, the 24-member Association of European Airlines said Monday.

The biggest increase was a system and the said Monday.

The biggest increase was on routes across the South Atlantic on which traffic grew by 18.1 percent. Traffic within Europe increased by 14.8 percent and on the North Atlantic by 12.2 percent. which was the higgest increase for two and a half years.

The seat occupancy rate rose by 3.6 percentage points in November, to 64.3 percent on average, a record for November, the

A 24-hour strike by 200 Scandinavian Airlines Systems pilots was to end at midnight Monday after affecting about 10 percent of the airline's services, SAS said. The pilots, who struck after negotiations over pay broke down, operate Fokker-50 propeller planes on flights connecting Copenhagen with Swedish destinations, Prague, Berlin and Luxembourg, as well as domestic routes in northern Moraray.

Schiphol Airport accommodated 23.5 million passengers in 1994. up 11 percent from the year before, placing it again among the fastest-growing airports in Europe, Hans Smits, the president of Amsterdam airport, reported.

said the narrative was inserted in the book without his knowledge by one of his aides. Mr. Rabin is suffering a midterm his weakness here that the scandal

Bomb Capability 7 to 15 Years Off, U.S. and Israel Agree other rogue nations that may be conference in Jericho, Yasser trying to get nuclear weapons." Arafat, the chairman of the Paltrying to get nuclear weapons." Arafat, the chairman of the Pal-he said a news conference after estine Liberatioo Organization. and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres of Israel met in the Gaza Strip and reported progress in their talks on expanding Pales-

tinian self-rule. Mr. Peres announced that Prime Minister Rabin would meet with Mr. Arafat next week to discuss plans for an Israeli pullout from West Bank towns as a prelude to Palestinian elections. Teams from both sides resumed talks in Cairo on Mooday oo details of the elections.

The oegotiations, however, are being held against the background of increasing unrest in the West Bank over cootinued coostruction at Israeli settlemeots there. The result was the conference Monday in Jericho, attended by four members of the self-governing council and representatives of West Bank regions and political factions, including Hamas.

The concluding statement urged the authority to play a more active role in confronting settlement and to suspend the negotiations, because continu-ing them under the shadow of the settlement drive will encourage the Israeli government to pursue its policy of settlement expansion."



UP AND AWAY - Commander Herzi Bodinger of Israel's air force with Secretary of Defense William J. Perry as he timed F-16s scrambling Monday at Ramat David Air Base.

Peter Cook, Acidic Comic

Of U.K. Stage-TV, Dies

of AIDS on Friday in Los An-

Floors van Jaarsveld, 72, an Afrikaner historian once tarred

and feathered by white extrem-

ists, died Saturday in Pretoria.

In 1979, he was attacked hy members of the Afrikaner Resistance Movement after he challenged the religious sanctity of the Day of the Vow, a holy day in the Afrikaner culture.

Louis Gasté, 88, a French composer whose song "For You" was later copied as the hit

"Feelings," died of cancer Sunday in Paris. Mr. Gasté, nicknamed "Loulou," sued Brazilian singer-composer Morris Albert over the song and won \$500,000 in damages in a U.S.

Soi Tax, 87, a professor of

anthropology at the University of Chicago who is credited with

helping to organize anthropolo-gy as a global discipline, died of a heart attack Wednesday in

Nina Tikanova, 84, a hallet teacher who had danced in the

companies of Bronislava Nijin-

ska, Ida Rubinstein and Boris

Romanov, died Wednesday in

Ben R. Rich, 69, a Lockheed Aircraft Corp. engineer and manager who helped develop

some of the most successful and

advanced military aircraft ever produced in the United States,

died of cancer Thursday in Ventura, California.

court in 1987.

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches of All LONDON — Peter Cook, geles.

57, whose acerbic, satiric wit

influenced a geocratico of Brit-

ish comedians, died of a gastro-

intestinal hemorrhage Monday

Mr. Cook had his first suc-

cess in the 1960s in the comedy

revue, "Beyond the Fringe," ap-

pearing with Jonathan Miller, Alan Bennett and Dudley

Moore. After a long ruo in Loo-

don, the show moved to Broad-

He later teamed with Mr. Moore on several British televi-

sion shows, including "Pete 'n'
Dud" and "Not Only But
Also." The latter show ran on
the BBC in 1965-66 and 1970-

Although Mr. Cook had roles in several films, most ootably "Bedazzled" in 1967, he oever fully capitalized oo his early

"I think I ran out of ambition at 24," he once said.

But Mr. Cook left behind him one enduring monument to

his acidic humor — he founded the satirical magazine Private

Eye, whose editor, Ian Hislop.

said Monday: "He was an ex-

Gary Kalkin, 44, who guided

(AP, Reuters)

in a London hospital.

### **Judge in Singapore Case Orders Herald Tribune to Answer Charge**

SINGAPORE — A Singa-pore court ruled Monday that an American professor who wrote an article for the International Herald Tribune and officials of the newspaper had a case to answer over a cootempt

of court charge.

"I am satisfied the attorney general has made a prima facie case," Justice Goh Joon Seng said.

The court was adjourned un-til Jan. 17, when the IHT Asia editor, Michael Richardson, is expected to be cross-examined in the dispute over the article, which was written by Christopher Lingle, an academic, and published last October.

The article made unflattering remarks aboot Asian judiciaries that it did oot identify. Mr.

Richardson edited it. Mr. Richardson; Mr. Lingle; the Paris-based publisher of the IHT, Richard McClean; the local distributor, International Herald Tribuoe (Singapore); and the printer, Singapore Press Holdings, are the defendants in

Mr. Lingle, a former senior fellow at the National University of Singapore, returned to the

United States last year after being questioned by the police about his article and said he would not reappear in Singa-

pore to face charges.

Attorney General Chan Sek
Keong told the court that certain parts of Mr. Lingle's article clearly referred to Singapore and were calculated to undermine public confidence in the judiciary, even though the

country was not named. Mr. Chan read aloud passages referring to "intolerant regimes in the region," some of which rely "upon a compliant judiciary to bankrupt opposition politicians."

The attorney general said the five defendants "have scandalized the Singapore judiciary by calling it compliant."

"I have oo doubt whatsoever that it is cootempt of court un-der the law of Singapore," he

He said Mr. Lingle's failure to submit an affidavit left him unable to deny that he had committed cootempt.

Mr. Chan said it was com-

circumstances justified.

"It is also public knowledge in Singapore that following the results of such legal proceed-ings, a oumber of opposition politicians have been subjected to hankruptcy proceedings or adjudged bankrupt," Mr. Chan

That has oot happened in other Asian countries, he said Mr. Richardson's lawyer, K. Shanmugam, argued that a reasonable reader would oot assume Mr. Lingle's article referred to Singapore. Parts of Mr. Richardson's affidavit read in court said he assumed the statement referred to Communist and military regimes such as those in China, Vietnam,

North Korea and Burma. Mr. Shanmugam said there were examples in such countries of legal actions effectively hankrupting dissidents, but Mr. Chan said those examples were oot in line with the oormal understanding of bankruptcy pro-

Michael Hwang, lawyer for Mr. McClean, the distributor and the printer, said his clients had no prior knowledge of the article's content, and all agreed with an unreserved and unqualified apology in the Dec. 10 edition of the IHT.

Those charged with cootempt of court in Singapore must appear in court to show cause why they should not be punished. The court has discre-tion to impose a jail term or GENEVA — Foreign ministers from Portugal and Indonesia on Monday welcomed United Nations proposals for talks between Timor but remained far apart on a political settle-ment for the Southeast

Asian territory.
José Manuel Durão Bar-Alatas, said they would meet in New York in May to begin "substantive" discussioos after three years of exploratory negotiations under the chairmanship of the UN secretary-general, Butros Butros Ghali.

The two countries are to mediate ever since.

Portugal has demanded a referendum oo iodependence or partial autonomy for East Timor but the Indonesia government rejects

remained opposite in every way that related to the status of the territory and self-determination."

### Portugal Meets With Indonesia On East Timor

bitterly divided over the former Portuguese colony, which was annexed by Indooesia wheo civil war hroke out in 1976. The United Nations has never recognized Indonesia as the region's rightful administrator but has been trying

roso at the end of the day's session. "But our positions

# The Associated Pres

different factions in East

roso of Portugal and his Indonesian counterpart, Ali

any such vote.

There was some progress," said Mr. Durão Bar-

traordinary proprietor. He oev-er interfered, he oever commarketing campaigns for such Disney hit movies as "Aladdin" and "The Santa Clause," died

### **Jurors in Simpson's Trial** Told They'll Be Sequestered

LOS ANUELES — The judge in the O. J. Simpson murder trial ordered the jurors sequestered on Mooday, telling them to pack their bags and report Wednesday for what could be months of isolation. "This is something that we all tried to avoid, but it has become necessary," Judge Lance A. Ito told the 12 jurors and 12 alter-

The Associated Press added. "But it woo't be a picnic.

LOS ANGELES — The 1t's going to be very difficult for

The judge said jurors would be able to meet with relatives oo weekends and on Wednesday alternoons.
He had announced last week

that the jurors would be sequestered even before opening statements in the trial, during a hearing about the admissibility of evidence of domestic violence nates.

"We will do everything reasonable in our power to make this as palatable as possible," he swidence of domestic violence between Mr. Simpson and his former wife, Nicole Brown Simpson.

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**New Jersey Governor Is on the Button** 

WASHINGTON — Wedged between Lamar Alexander and Jack Kemp and only coincidentally to the left of Bob Dole and Phil Gramm buttons touting Governor Christic Whitman of New Jersey for president are doing a brisk business this year at Political Americana, a Wasbington store that sells presidential political managements. that sells presidential political memorabilia.

"Whitman is in with the pack," says Jimmy Warlick, the president of Political Americana and an amateur political prognosticator who has built his business largely around predicting who is politically hot with the public and who is

"Right now. Governor Whitman is doing very welt. Her buttons are selling good. It's hard to tell whether people are huying them because they view her as a potential presidential candidate or as a vice presidential candidate, but they are buying them.

In the year since Mrs. Whitman took office - the first woman to run New Jersey's government — and even before she gives her first State of the State speech on Tuesday, she has skyrocketed to national political stardom.

And while she is popular in her home state, she bas also worked hard positioning herself nationally. She went around the country compaigning on behalf of Republican candidates, with the trips paid for in part by her own state's party. These trips garnered Mrs. Whitman much national attention.

Last week, Newt Gingrich, the new House speaker, praised her as a model of leadership for the new Congress. And though she and a key adviser. Malcolm S. Forbes Jr., the publisher and a champion of tax cutting, are coy about it. other observers believe that Mrs. Whitman is moving herself toward the national political stage.

#### Virginia Pulls Plug on Computer Games

WASHINGTON - For Kim Emerson, it was a game of solitaire before work started. Ed Holt loved hearts at lunchtime, And Kevin Chisnell was wild about Minesweeper competitions with his co-workers.

But for all three and thousands of other state employees in Virginia, the games are over.

Concerned that some state workers were playing when they should be working. Governor George Allen, a Republican, has ordered that games be deleted from every state-owned computer. An administration memo called computer games playing "nonproductive and nonefficient" and stated that "time spent by employees playing such games should be

considered an improper use of taxpayer funds."
As computers with high-resolution color screens and sound cards become ubiquitous in the American workplace, managers increasingly are having to deal with issues of gameplaying at work, industry specialists say. But several computer industry watchers call Virginia's sweeping ban — which eliminates playing even during lunchtime and breaks --unprecedented.

"I've never heard of anything like this applying to so many people," said Russell Glitman, executive editor of PC World magazine, "It's a question of where you draw the line."

#### Darkness Falls on 1,000 Points of Light

WASHINGTON - Throughout his presidency, George Bush persistently promoted his "1,000 Points of Light" campaign as the antidote for hunger, homelessness and poverty. Six days a week, Mr. Bush honored someone - a so-called Point of Light - for performing exemplary volun-

In 1990, while declaring that solutions to some of the nation's most vexing problems lay in the hands of ordinary citizens and organizations - not huge government hureaucracies - Mr. Bush began a private, nonprofit foundation to motivate every American to engage in community service.
Today, the lone remnant of the Bush initiative has the look

of a wasteful. Washington-dependent operation. So far, the Points of Light Foundation has received \$26.6 million in federal funds - more than half its budget - while incurring a wide range of costs that amount to questionable spending. experts in the volunteer industry said.

An examination of financial records by The Los Angeles Times shows that \$22.3 million has been spent on glitzy promotions, consultants, salaries, travel and conferences. The expenses include \$5.5 million to produce a television advertising campaign and \$1.4 million to host a celebration of community service.

By contrast, only 11 percent of the foundation's hudget has been spent to provide grants to volunteer efforts across the

Despite early plans to remain a small organization, the Points of Light payroll has more than tripled to \$4.1 million. The foundation president, Richard F. Schubert, who was hired after he resigned under pressure as head of the American Red Cross, is paid \$160,000 annually. A 13-member executive management Icam receives average salaries in ex-

#### Quote/Unquote

Representative Dick Armey of Texas, the House majority leader, on Democrats' economic proposals: "The Democrats in my estimation seem to be so obsessive with distiking the rich that they don't have much time left for loving some-

### For College Freshmen, Politics More Boring Than Ever

By Rene Sanchez

WASHINGTON -The proportion of college freshmen who say that pay-ing close attention to political affairs is important has declined to its lowest level in the 29 years that freshman attitudes have been surveyed.

The annual survey, regarded as a barometer of the outlooks and aspira-tions of college students, is based on

have more students expressed support conducted the survey. for capital punishment, for example, but never have more shown support for gun control or gay rights.

Organizers of the survey say that it suggests this year's college freshmen are more indifferent to pulitics than any class previously surveyed. Only to percent of them said that

they frequently "discuss poblics," and only 32 percent called "keeping up with political affairs" important. Both figures, which have been declining since the late 1960s, are record lows.

"I think the negative campaigning responses from about 238,000 fresh- that has come to dominate many elecmen across the country this fall.

It portrays growing political apathy, rising antiety over the cost of attending college and sharply divergent views on social issues.

Never in the history of the survey the survey or students emerged the survey excludents emerged the survey excludents of the s

> The trends reported in the survey are not necessarily long-term harbingers of college attitudes.

of students who described themselves as politically liberal, but since then and gay rights. Eighty percent of the those figures have declined slightly. Ireshmen said that federal government Still, some college officials say that the "should do more to control hand-

There seems to be a growing sense of, "Well, there's nothing you can really do about changing politics, so wby bother?" "said John Muffo, director of University.

These were among other findings in est in medicine than men. the survey, sponsored by the American

Support for legalizing Council on Education:

· Strong conservative attitudes in crime and punishment. Only 20 per-cent of freshmen supported abolishing capital punishment, the lowest figure in three decades. Nearly 75 percent

 Growing support for gun control latest figures reflect the prevailing guns." Only 34 percent said they supported laws prohibiting homosexual

· Record interest in careers in medicine. About 9 percent of the freshmen indicated that they intended to earn a academic assessment at Virginia Tech medical degree, the highest figure ever. Female students expressed more inter-

> Support for legalizing marijuana. That grew for the fifth consecutive year, up to 32 percent of the freshmen surveyed. That figure had plummeted throughout the 1980s after reaching a

peak of nearly 55 percent in 1977. A rise in cigarette smoking. About

Only three years ago, for example, said there is "too much concern shown the survey reported a growing number for criminals." 12.5 percent of freshmen said they smoked, compared with 9 percent in

The survey also reported steadily increasing tears among freshmen that the rising cost of tuition may keep them from graduating Reliance on college loans increased for the eighth time in 10 years, and the proportion of freshmen expressing doubt about being able to pay for college hit a record high of 19 percent. In 1968, that figure was 8 percent.

"The response to that question had been steady for many years," Mr. As-tin said. "Suddenly, we've really seen it start to move up.

Nearly 40 percent of the freshmen questioned said they believed they would need a joh to help cover their expenses, and almost 6 percent said they would have to work full time.

### Not a Pretty Picture For Arts Funding

House Leaders Attack Endowment

By Robert Pear

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — The National Endowment for the Arts is preparing to fight for survival as House Republican leaders take aim at its budget and challenge its very existence.

The fight, likely to last throughout the year, turns on a fundamental question: What is prevent crime, create jobs and the appropriate role of the federal government in financing

"I would argue that it is not within the scope of Washington, not within the scope of the federal government, to be involved in funding arts activities around America," said Repre-sentative John A. Boehner of Ohio, who is chairman of the Republican conference.

"We are out there living high on the hog, funding all of these activities around the country, only to pass the bill on to our kids and grandkids," he said. The House speaker, Newt

Gingrich of Georgia; Representative Dick Armey of Texas, the majority leader, and Mr. Bochner have all declared that the federal government has no business making grants to artists and arts organizations.

Another powerful Republicessful vote last year to elimi been a favorite target of conser-

Senior members of Congress from both parties say that the budget of the endowment is sure to be cut and that the only question is how much.

The budget this year is \$167.4 million, down from \$170.2 million last year.

The endowment, created in 1965, accounts for a tiny portion of all spending on the arts in the United States. Its appropriation is less than the operating budget of Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in New York, which is \$316 million this year. Private giving to the arts exceeds \$9 billion a year, according to the American Assosel, a private group that does annual surveys.

But the endowment is a po-

tent political symbol. lts defenders, including some Republicans, say that it supports mainstream culture and that its grants work as seed money to promote private-publie partnerships. They emphasize its value as a tool of social policy whose programs help combat illiteracy.

Mr. Gingrich, on the other hand, portrays the endowment as a sandbox for the nation's affluent cultural elite.

Mr. Armey said that "the National Endowment for the Arts offends the Constitution of the Umited States." In a televised interview last

week on C-Span, Mr. Gingrich said: "I am for the Atlanta Ballet, I'm for the Metropolitan maybe the greatest art museum in America — in New York City. But I'm against self-selected elites using your tax money and my tax money to pay off their friends.

He was apparently referring to the system of peer review under which panels of artists evaluate applications from oth-er artists seeking federal grants.

#### Away From Politics

 The man accused of opening fire on two abortion clinics, wounding five other people.

John C. Salvi 3d, 22, was ordered beld without hail in a Brookline, Massachusetts, court after pleading not guilty to murder charges. Mr. Salvi also entered not-guilty pleas to five counts of armed assault with intent to murder. (AP)

• Torrents of heavy rain pelt-ed northern California's wine country, raising rivers to dangerously high levels, activating sandbag brigades and forcing hundreds of residents from their homes.

• The Supreme Court turned away a free-speech challenge to Montana's "hunter harassment" law, aimed at preventing hunting opponents from interfering with hunting on public lands. The justices, without comment, let stand the state law making it a crime to "disturb an individual in the lawful taking of a wild animal with intent to dissuade the individual or otherwise prevent the taking of the ani-

• New York City policemen arrested a man and were possession, according to the searching for at least two others in the weekend slaving of six people in an apartment. The sole survivor could not speak because her throat was



Ed Meyers, of Guerneville, California, preparing to evacuate along with hundreds of other residents, as rain-swollen rivers in Napa and Sonoma counties continued to rise.

slashed, but wrote a note lead- wolf's lung, during an opera- John Benjamin Warda was ing to the suspect, according to published reports. The police found \$30,000 and said ment in Idaho and Yellow- The Supreme Court denied drugs, revenge and robbery were possible motives. Saul Angulo, 20, was charged with murder, assault and weapons

(AP) Biologists accidently killed a female wolf with a tranquilizer

stone National Park. (AP)

• A martial-arts expert who escaped from a U.S. jail in Port Washington, Wisconsin, last year while awaiting sentencing on a drug-trafficking conviction has been captured in Mexico. The federal attordart, which punctured the ney general's office said that

tion to capture Canadian arrested in the state of Coli-wolves in Alberta for resettle-

an appeal by Dow Corning on Monday challenging an award of more than \$7 million in damages to a California woman, Mariann Hopkins, who had sued in 1988 over her injuries from the company's silicone gel breast implants.

### can, Representative Thomas D. DeLay of Texas, the new party whip, joined them in an unsue. Jury Selection Starts nate all federal money for the endowment, which has long heen a Payorite target of conserve the page 1 and 1

NEW YORK - Jury selection in the case against an Egyptian clerie and 11 of his followers accused of plotting to bomb New York City landmarks began Monday with the first 100 potential panelists led

into court under heavy security. U.S. District Judge Michael Mukasey began the selection process by explaining the case to potential jurors who will be asked to complete a 53-question survey on topics ranging from the bombing of the World Trade Center to the Islamic

ciation of Fund-Raising Coun- ter in the U.S. government's World Trade Center and the prosecution of those believed to United Nations headquarters be behind the Feb. 26, 1993, building.

bombing of the Trade Center, which killed 6 people and in-jured more than 1,000.

Four men have been convicted and sentenced to life in prison for carrying out the attack. Prosecutors allege they were part of a much larger organization working to punish the United States for its support of

The government alleges that Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman, a blind Muslim fundamentalist clerie, is the spiritual leader of the organization. He and his codefendants are accused of plotting since 1989 to blow up New York landmarks, including the

A long line of potential jurors were led between rows of marshals who ushered them through metal detectors into the courtroom.

Judge Mukasey told the panelists that the trial could last six to nine months. He said he hoped that opening arguments could begin on Jan. 30.

3 Die in Nigerian Dispute The Associated Press

LAGOS — At least three people died and four were hosdispute, the Nigerian news agency reported Monday.

Knowledge Stocks Ready to Surge?

Even Disney, planning more edu-cational facilities, rose from \$37 to \$46 in tO weeks. Is this the start of a megatrend that will teave the underinformed far behind? IPM has been saying so in the new infoWeb reports which have cov-ered dozens of involved stocks from Apple to Xerox with solid

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# 'Mr. Newt' Steals the Summit

By T. R. Reid and Kevin Sullivan Washington Post Service
TOKYO — Japan's prime minister will cross the Pacific on Tuesday for a three-day visit to Washington, where he will meet the bottest politician in the capital: New Gingrich.

Tomiichi Murayama's twoday trip is officially hilled as a summit meeting between the heads of state of the world's two richest countries. But Japanese officials describing the trip to American reporters on Monday seemed almost more excited that their leader will get to meet the new, and Republican. speaker of the House.

"We are very pleased that, on the first time Mr. Newt meets a foreign leader in his role as speaker, it will be our prime minister;" a Japanese diplomat

In a remark that captures how much Japanese thinking toward Washington has changed since November, the diplomat said Mr. Murayama will meet the famous guy Newt Gingrich, and also, and also who is the minority leader in the

There was a time when every Japanese diplomat knew the name of the House minority leader, Richard A. Gephardt, Democrat of Missouri, because Mr. Gephardt is known here as an outspoken Japan-basher. Mr. Murayama is on shaky

ground as he heads to his first

able bloc of his own Socialist Party is about to mutiny and quit his governing coalition.

ists walk out, it could endanger Mr. Murayama's majority in the Parliament, and his fragile government might fall. The prime minister's plight may well explain why he is go-ing to Washington in the first place. Mr. Murayama is per-haps one of the few politicians

anywhere who hopes to get a boost out of ruhbing shoulders with Bill Clinton. The Japanese press has not failed to spot the basic irony in the trip. For decades, conservative Japanese prime ministers used to visit the White House hoping to shore up their approval ratings by strengthening ties with Japan's biggest market and chief ally. Mr. Murayama's liberal Socialist Party regularly

became prime minister through atrocity never happens again."
an odd-couple coalition with Mr. Murayama and Ameri those same conservatives, finds

week will be plans for marking global environmental, population, technology and health isof World War II. With emo-

Japanese Officials Eager to Meet the New House Speaker bilateral summit session since tions still strong on both sides taking office last summer. A sizter the atomic bombings and Japan's surrender, both governments are clearly womied that the remembrance will rekindle If enough of the angry Socialold animosities.

"It is rather important," not to focus on wartime pain but rather on U.S.-Japan relations since 1945, Mr. Murayama said Monday.

"Over the past 50 years we learned greatly from the United States on the question of peace, the question of democracy, and how to rebuild a national econ-omy," he said. "The Japanese people are very appreciative."

The Socialist leader even turned down the chance to criticize the United States for dropping the atomic bombs, an ac-tion his party has denounced for decades as an intolerable wartime atrocity.

Asked whether the Washingliberal Socialist Party regularly condemned this strategy, complaining that Tokyo was too close to Washington.

Now Mr. Murayama, who make efforts so that the nuclear make efforts so the nuclear make efforts so the nuclear make eff

can leaders are expected to dishimself playing that same cuss North Korea, U.S.-Japan Washington card to weather trade and security relations and the so-called "Common Agen-Officially, the chief item on da," a joint effort by the world's the U.S.-Japan agenda this two richest nations to address

### The trial is the second chap-

**KOREA:** U.S. Trade Eased

Continued from Page 1 that North Korea had emharked on a program to build dozens of nuclear weapons per year before it reached the agree-ment with the United States last

The official, Assistant Secretary of State Winston Lord, who heads the department's people died and four were hospitalized when nomads armed with bows and arrows clashed of being able to produce plutonium and then nuclear weapons consisting of dozens every year as we look to the next several

that Congress would overcome its reservations about the deal. "It's quite complex," he said.

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(AP. Reuters)

Last week, Defense Secretary William J. Perry said that North Korea might have produced "four or five" nuclear weapons.

Mr. Lord praised North Korea for "meticulous" fulfillment of the terms of the accord, including full inspection of its nuclear facilities and freezing construction of reactors. He also said he was confident

Mr. Murayama and Ameri-

# A Bosnian Leader Disputes U.S. View Of Partition Plan

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Prime Minister Haris Silajdzic hluntly disagreed Monday with a senior U.S. diplomat on an international peace plan for Bosnia, insisting it was more than simply a basis for

Assistant Secretary of State Richard Holbrooke, following a meeting here with Mr. Silajdzic and President Alija Izetbegovic, twice referred to the plan proposed by the five-nation "contact group" on Bosnia as "a starting point for negotiations" between the Bosnian government and rebel Serbs.

"Let me phrase it exactly," Mr. Holbrooke told reporters. The contact group's goal is to gain acceptance of the contact group plan as the starting point for negotiations. That is our position. There's no need for us to go any further.'

That provoked the following response from Mr. Silajdzie: That's your position, Mr. Holbrooke. But for Bosnia-Herze-

govina it was take-it-or-leave-it. "It's a bit, if I may say, unfair. We were asked to accept it with no conditions. Now it seems that the position has shifted when it comes to the aggressor representatives.
"We accepted under terms of take-it-or-leave-it. We took it.

they left it. Mr. Izetbegovic had earlier repeated his government's insistence that before peace talks

can resume, "the Serbian side must accept the plan." Unveiled last July hy the

United States, Britain, France, Germany, and Russia, the proposal would allot the Bosnian Serbs 49 percent of Bosnia, down from the 70 percent they have seized in 33 months of

Serbian authorities rejected the plan and the proposed land distribution, while the Muslimled government, which would share 51 percent of the territory with Bosnian Croats, accepted

The broad outlines of the deal had initially been presented as nonnegotiable. But at a meeting in Brussels in December, the contact group, to the annoyance of the Bosnian government, decided that the land division "can be adjusted by mutual agreement between the parties.

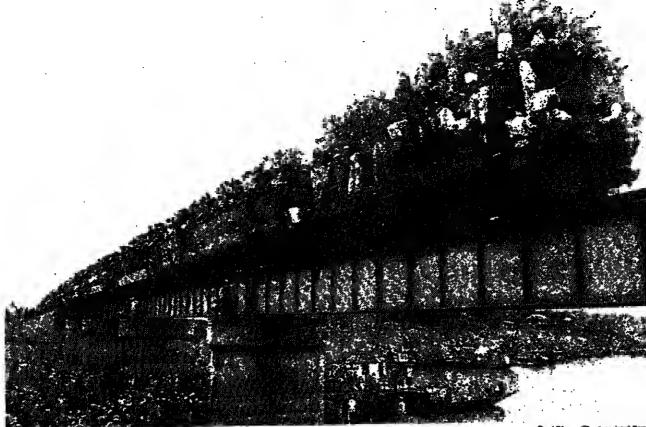
A cease-fire agreement mediated late last month by former President Jimmy Carter was likewise reported to have made no references to the contact group plan in order to ensure

Serbian backing.

A United Nations spokesman said the situation across Bosnia was quiet on Monday, including the Bihac pocket in

the northwest. But the cease-fire, which came into effect on Jan. 1, has become bogged down in a dis-pute over the demilitarized zone around Sarajevo.

A meeting of rival military commanders scheduled for Wednesday at Sarajevo airport to discuss carrying out the "cessation of hostilities" appeared in 1992, a decision that was en-in doubt. (AFP, Reuters) dorsed by France. in doubt.



BANGLADESH PILGRIM TRAIN - A train overloaded with Muslim pilgrims leaving an Islamic festival on Monday in Gazipur, Bangladesh, near Dhaka. A total of 4 million people attended the festival over three days.

### ALGERIA: France and IMF Work to Get Aid to Embattled Government

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grown since the Christmas Eve hijacking of an Air France jetliner, which was part of an escalation of the bitter civil war between Islamic militants and the government. The conflict is now causing from 500 to 1,000 deaths each week, they said. It began after Algiers decided to cancel parliamentary elections

pendence, which ended in 1962 One Western government of-ficial familiar with Mr. Camdessus's role in Algerian aid said it was "highly unusual" that the IMF chief personally handled last year's \$1 billion of IMF loans.

"It was pushed through very fast, and it was done with everybody holding their hreath be-cause the political situation was such that the government might collapse at any moment," the official recalled."

terests of France, which ruled Algeria for 132 years and lost

many lives in the war of inde-

A financial official in Washington said that in September Camdessus personally led a meeting of Algerian and Western officials during the annual IMF/World Bank meetings in Madrid. "I saw Camdessus in Madrid sit there and say with a perfectly straight face that the Algerian stabilization program was a model for the test of the developing world," the official said. "That was, to say the least,

Mr. Camdessus declined to be interviewed for this article, hut one of his aides confirmed that he and the French govern- the one hand while at the same ment were working together time encouraging economic re- 1991.

Mr. Camdessus, meanwhile, closely on Algeria. "Over the form for an important trading has been criticized by some past year, we and the French Western officials and econo- Treasury have been on the Western officials and econo- Treasury have been on the mists who follow Algeria for phone almost daily to discuss Algerian aid," he said. allegedly trying to ram through international funding programs in order to serve the policy in-

In Paris, Edmond Alphandery, the economy minister, confirmed last week that he had frequently discussed Algeria

The financial stakes are high some \$25 billion of outstanding foreign debt plus about \$15 billion of foreign investment.

with Mr. Camdessus because the situation was "very fragile." Yet even Mr. Camdessus's harshest critics acknowledge that both France and the IMF. in seeking financial aid and debt relief for Algeria from other governments, hanks and multilateral institutions, are trying to use economic leverage to achieve greater political sta-

bility.
Decision makers in France are facing an agonizing policy dilemma; how to foster a dialogue between Algeria's rulers and Islamic revolutionaries on

partner and former colony. French authorities are also hoping to avert a flood of Algerian

Alain Juppé, the French for-eign minister, warned recently that if financial aid to Algiers the Algerian economy into cha-

A French Foreign Ministry spokeswoman said Monday that "the hope is that the aid given to Algeria is in the end help which goes to the Algerian people, and not to a regime."

Some officials compare the danger of an Islamic takeover to the Islamic revolution in Iran in Mr. Rühe's interview. in 1979. Bankers say, however, that while Iran repudiated some To what extent will the relation-Reza Pahlavi, Tehran has hontried increasingly to do ousiness with foreign companies.

Anwar N. Haddam, a Washington-based spokesman for Algeria's Islamic Salvation Front, recently told the Petroleum Finance Company newsletter that the Islamic opposition would support an open, market-based economy. Mr. Haddam did, however, warn that his organization would consider "illegal" both the IMF

### **Moscow Calls Off** German Maneuvers

### Games Said to Have Been Set With Units Now in Chechnya

By Rick Atkinson

Washington Post Service
BERLIN — The German government confirmed Monday that Russia had postponed joint military maneuvers planned for next summer, apparently because Russian Army units scheduled to take part in the exercises were involved in the assault on Chechnya.

Defense Minister Volker Rühe, in an interview published

Monday in the magazine Der Spiegel, said Moscow had in-formed Bonn that bilateral maneavers to be held near St. Petersburg must be pushed back indefinitely.

The move represented at least a temporary setback for the government of Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who has worked diligently to forge tighter eco-nomic and military bonds with Russia as a means of achieving a more secure Europe.

As Russia's largest trading partner and its chief provider of foreign aid, Germany has felt acute anxiety over the brutal fighting in Chechnya and the consequent turmoil in Russia. Over the weekend, Mr. Kohl described the assault on Grozny as "complete madness."

The chancellor and his ministers have sought to walk a fine line between acquiescence and condemnation of Moscow's bewere suspended, "it would push the Algerian economy into chaas an "internal matter" while reproaching Russia for the hru-tal attacks. Perhaps the overriding German foreign policy concern since the breakup of the Soviet Union has been fear that instability in Eastern Europe will spill into Central and Western Europe,

Such sentiments were evident

"It is important for us to ask: of the foreign debt dating back ship with the West of a country to the days of Shah Mohammed like Russia change through the unequaled hrutality in the way ored other ohligations and has it tackles its internal affairs?" he told Der Spiegel. "Further reform and international cooperation are being endangered.

On the other hand, Mr. Rühe rejected sanctions against Moscow and said that "legally, Chechnya is a part of Russia.

"It remains in the overriding interests of European security and German-Russian relations, now that Russian troops have left Germany, that we work toaccord and any contracts missions and in pursuing consigned between the government mon training," be said. "Severand foreign companies after ing contacts is completely

Reports from Bonn indicated that Russian units carmarked for the summer's military exercises - similar to those conducted by U.S. troops in Russia last summer—are now fighting in Chechnya. But a planned visit to Bonn in March by the Russian defense minister, General Pavel S. Grachev, is still

Mr. Kohl, who urged friend President Boris N. Yeltsin in a telephone call last week to end the bloodshed in Chechyna, said that further threats or sanctions against Moscow "would achieve nothing at the moment." Mr. Kohl has long depicted Germany as a mediator, helping to bring the former adversaries of East and West together.

But in an interview with a Berlin radio station, the chan-cellor said: "We see people suffering, civilians, women and children. We see victims among the soldiers and regard it all as complete madness.

The German foreign minister, Klaus Kinkel, appeared to favor the view heard in some Western capitals that Mr. Yelt-sin might not be in full control of his troops. Mr. Yeltsin or-dered a halt last week to bombing missions on Grozny, but reports from the region said that some attacks continued.

"Boris Yeltsin must exert his will over the Russian Army promptly," Mr. Kinkel told the wspaper Welt am Sonntag. "It is unacceptable that the Russian Army openly ignores measures that the Russian president has ordered, such as cessation of bombing raids against

### **BUDGET:** Moscow's Woes

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dar, the main architect of Mr. Yeltsin's reform program, said.
"Another three or four weeks and you can forget about next year's hudget," Mr. Gaidar, a critic of the Chechen invasion, made his remark just before the

New Year. In the 28 days since the intervention began, the ruble has lost a tenth of its value against the dollar, falling to 3,512 from 3.323 on Dec. 11. The rubic now gether - for example, in peace stands at its lowest point since it crashed in October. Inflation in the month of December highest monthly rate since last

The European Commission, the European Union's executive body, protesting Russia's indiscriminate use of force in Chechnya, on Thursday froze an important interim trade accord with Moscow. "It is a signal that cannot be misunderstood," said Hans van den Brock, the European Union's external af-

fairs commissioner.

The costs of prosecuting a war in a remote area 1,600 kilometers (1,000 miles) south of Moscow are tremendous. From 10,000 to 40,000 troops many of whom are receiving at least triple their regular pay, plus bonuses — must be transported and fed.

Gasoline and maintenance for thousands of tanks and armored vehicles are expensive. Russian warplanes and helicopters have been flying nearly around the clock for a month. driving up repair costs and consuming large volumes of expensive aviation fuel. Scores, perhaps several hundred, Russian tanks and armored vehicles have been damaged, destroyed or captured.

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Some 300,000 refugees who have fled the fighting are also costing the government more than \$11 million n month, the Russian press reported. In an analysis last week, The

Moscow News said the economic costs of the war are likely to mount for months no matter what the result of the fighting is. If the Russians defeat the Chechens decisively, trillions of rubles will have to be injected into the renegade region's econ-omy to rehuild basic infrastructure and industry and to help resettle refugees, the paper said.
If the Chechens are not defeated soon, the paper added, Moscow may face the prospect of a long guerrilla war that could cost trillions of rubles and generate even more refu-

The paper concluded: "In both cases the result will be the same; a collapsed budget, outlays above planned levels, higher inflation, cuts in all social programs. And the final result is social, economic and political crisis."

#### Explosion Kills 2 in Parma Reuters

PARMA, Italy -Two men died and five were injured Monday after an empty fuel truck undergoing repairs exploded near the northern-Italian town of Parma, officials said.

### WAR: Ex-Yugoslavia's Post-Traumatic Stress Problem

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by the fact that in our culture. there is a stigma of weakness attached to people who seek help. And besides that, the war is still going on, so society doesn't want to confront the problem because of the effect that could have on morale."

Researchers say that posttraumatic stress can afflict anyone who has lived through a searing physical or emotional experience. Victims suffer sudden flashbacks and can collapse in tears or explode into violence

hy feelings of guilt or loss, and lash out unpredictably even at those close to them.

Patients in Rijeka attend individual counseling sessions with psychiatrists and therapists. At these sessions they recount, often for the first time, what they have seen and done, and also discuss the problems they have had readjusting to ci-

Many of the patients are sullen and withdrawn, unable to make friends or face normal day-to-day situations. Periodifor what seems to be little or no cally, they erupt in rage, cursing

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reason. Many are overwhelmed their therapists, smashing win-hy feelings of guilt or loss, and dows and tearing doors from

their hinges.

Dealing with these patients and listening to their horrific accounts of atrocities takes its toll on the therapists. They meet at the beginning of each day to steel themselves for the ordeal, and many are transferred to other units when the pressure of the joh threatens to overwhelm them.

About 15 patients gather for a group therapy session each weekday. One recent session elicited a series of long silences and deep draws on cigarettes, punctuated every few minutes by poignant confessions.

"My head never stops pounding," one man said. "I have pain in every bone in my body. I can't sleep, and, when I sleep. I the nightmares are so terrible, 1 want to stand in front of a mirror and ask why I had to do all the things I did, but I know there would be no answer. The there would be no answer. The only answer will come when I RUSSIA: Yeltsin Orders 48-Hour Truce and Offers Arnnesty to Rebels hlow my head off."

Several of the patients complained bitterly ahout what they say is Croatian society's desire to ignore them. Many have been unable to find work, and say that employers avoid hiring war veterans for fear that they will prove unstable or dangerous.

"I burned my uniform because I didn't want to remember the terrible things I did while I was wearing it," one man said. "But the memories don't go away. I was raised as a good Catholic, but now I have no faith in anything. The only thing I believe in now is sui-

a beggar, and people seem more willing to give him coins when

ing to force their way to the palace and the rebels throwing

Only one of the patients, who said he had spent nine months in a Serhian prison camp and watched scores of his fellow prisoners tortured and killed, wore his old Croatian Army uniform. He said he did so because he now earns his living as they see the uniform.

"It would have been so much better if I had been killed in hattle," the man lamented.
"Then I would have been a hero. Now I'm garbage."

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their strength into its defense. The Russian attack was spearheaded by the infantry in a change of tactics from the disastrous tank assault that failed at the cost of heavy casualties over the New Year's

Chechen fighters said the Russian attack was strongest just 700 meters west of the palace, which has been the heart of the Chechen resistance since Russian forces entered the mostly Muslim region to crush its three-year secessionist cam-

Intense battles were also under way to the north and east of the palace.
One Chechen unit command-

er said, "The Russians are sending in their infantry, then the snipers to consolidate their positions, then the tanks." Russian artillery was quiet after two days of intense shell-

ently to avoid hitting their own Itar-Tass said that the Russian forces were overcoming "fierce resistance" by Chechen

fighters. The statement said Chechen forces were regrouping outside the Chechen capital in preparation for guerrilla war-

fare from mountain hases. Pressure for an end to the fighting continues to grow. The American deputy secretary of state, Strobe Talbott, flew to Brussels on Monday for talks with Russian officials and North Atlantic Treaty Organization representatives.

Domestic opposition to the military intervention in Chechnya has also increased since the battle for Grozny started on New Year's Eve in attacks that left hundreds of Russian sol-

Meanwhile, the location of the Chechen president, Dzhokar Dudayev, remained a mys-

A Chechen official, Hamata Kurbanov, maintained Monday that Mr. Dudayev was still in the presidential palace, contradicting Russian reports that the former Soviet Air Force ing of central Grozny, appargeneral had fled the capital to a village southwest of Grozny. He has not been seen in public for a

(Reuters, AFP, AP, NYT)



A Chechen fighter taking a break Monday after coming under intensive Russian shelling in the center of Grozny.

### ROCK: For China's Musicians, 'Nothin' Left to Lose'

tranquillity.

Under the Red Flag" is another cry from the anchorless youth of China for direction. "Money is fluttering in the

Mr. Cui acknowledges the political overtones of his music.

BEIJING -- Following up a published report in Japan that Deng Xiaoping, the 90-year-old senior leader, was chronically

The red flag is waving
It has no clear direction Revolution is ongoing
The old men are still in power.

Asked for an interpretation,

But who knows what we should

Beijing Denies Deng Is Ailing Last fall, the Ministry of Cul-government's information de- ture staged an officially sanc-

Lamenting the decline of no-

from the West at the moment. There aren't many Chinese productions."

groundless." semi-official China Daily dis-The Yomiuri Shimbun, quot-ing what it said were reliable line that said: "More a Breeze "Comrade Deng enjoys good and was so ill that President ute-long show, no hysteria health," a spokesman for the Jiang Zemin could not see him. hroke out."

### French Station Ignores Ban The radio replaced normal

disc jockey that a policeman's killing was "pretty good news," and Pierre Bellanger, the stalion's president, was called before the French broadcasting commission to give an account of why the station failed to heed the 24-hour ban.

PARIS — The French radio broadcasts for the day with telestation Skyrock ignored a phone calls from listeners. hroadcasting ban on Monday, mostly teenagers, commenting imposed over a comment by a on the ban and the general issue of freedom of speech. After meeting with commission mem-bers, Mr. Bellanger said he be-lieved that he had ahided by the ban since it spoke of "suspending Skyrock's programs" but did not specifically say it should

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any police official who decides they might disturb political Mr. Cui's latest alhum, "Eggs

wind," the ritle song says. "We have no ideals."

ill. China's government on re-

partment said. "Those reports tioned pop music extravaganza.
by the external press are The culture reporter of the

sponded on Monday with an sources in Beijing, reported Than a Gust." In something of optimistic bulletin about his health Monday that Mr. Deng had an epitaph, the reporter ob-been hospitalized last month. served: "During the 150-min-

"I think politics is a very important part of any kind of art," hope. he said.

But lyrics from the song take
But lyrics from the song take
refuge in allusion and indirecinterview, "because I don't understand a lot of things yet."

litical lyrics in Chinese rock music, Mr. Cui added: "Nothing to My Name' changed my life. But today, there aren't so many musicians and many Chi-nese young people just enjoy the rock and roll that is coming

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### The Yeltsin Problem

When the Russian foreign minister defends Moscow's military assault against the breakaway republic of Chechnya by comparing Boris Yeltsin to Ahraham Lincoln, it is clear that Moscow is anxious about the small but savage confrontation in the Caucasus.

Andrei Kozyrev's desire to make the war more comprehensible to Americans is understandable. President Yeltsin's mishandling of the Chechen rebellion is sure to strengthen those who want to end American assistance and return to a strategy of containing rather than be-friending Russia. That would be a mistake, but some recalibration of long-term American policy is warranted.

Recognizing that the brutality of the attack has undermined Mr. Yeltsin, Bill Clinton has urged him to end the killing of civilians and accept an offer from the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe to help mediate a political settlement. Moscow should not refuse.

Belatedly, Mr. Yeltsin says he is trying to put the military on a tighter leasb and end the indiscriminate bombing of Grozny, the Cheche: capital. Unfortunately, the army's sledgehammer approach has already disbonored the important principle that Moscow has a right to maintain the cohesion of the Russian Federation and, in extreme cases like Chechnya, may use limited military force.

But the White House must look be yond the Chechen crisis, for it has altered the political picture in Moscow and Washington. Like Mikhail Gorbachev, who lost political traction at home before he lost his joh, and who remained the pivot of American policy toward the So-viet Union long after his leadership had become illusory, Mr. Yeltsin is in trouble before his country or the world is prepared to deal with the consequences. Secretary of State Warren Christopher cannot wish away the problem with ex-

pressions of faith in Mr. Yelisin. Mr. Yeltsin has lost the support of moderate political leaders, narrowed his

The United States bas taken an unhappy turn on its way back to Unesco, which

it left in 1984 because of that organiza-

tion's gross politicization. In recent post-Cold War years, Unesco, by the General Accounting Office's and others' analysis.

has reformed and fairly met the original American concerns. Why then, in 1995.

does the U.S. government still shrink from returning? Partly it is because Unesco lost its place in the American

budget queue. There is also a suspicion

that the Clinton administration hesi-

tates to take on a presumably skeptical Republican Congress for the sake of anything with "UN" in its name.

The budget question — it is a \$65 million expenditure — is real, but

should not be the determining test if

rejoining is a good idea. The presumed

Republican skepticism needs to be dealt

with openly. Many Democrats may also

wonder wbether there is good reason at

all, let alone a national interest, whether

the price tag is low or high, to rejoin an

organization that it got along nicely without for 10 years. Unesco, let it be

The organization still has a reputation,

Capital punishment is so fraught with

the danger of executing innocent defen-

dants that even its supporters worry

about fatal miscarriages of justice. In

New York, which may soon become the

38th state to restore the death penalty,

leaders of the bar who argue for more

safeguards include, along with lawyers

who oppose executions, many who favor

these calls for care, as do the U.S. Con-

gress and legislatures in states that al-

ready have executions. A congressional

staff report cited 52 recent cases in which

defendants had barely escaped execution

only because civil rights lawyers and

friends were able and lucky enough to

Walter McMillian, operator of a pulp-

wood business in Monroeville, Alabama,

was on death row for six years until a

court threw out his conviction, which had

In Texas, Randall Dale Adams came

within three days of execution for a mur-

der he did not commit, then languished

for a decade in prison before the courts

cuted Jesse DeWayne Jacobs for a mur-

der that the state later blamed on some-

one else, a callous action that borrified

Texas went further last week and exe-

discover evidence of innocence.

been based on perjured evidence.

found that he had been framed.

New York's Legislature needs to heed

or do not oppose them.

noted, survived, too.

Go Back to Unesco

circle of advisers and shed much of the moral authority he gained in his fight for reform. It is unclear how much control he retains over an army embarrassed hy its performance in Chechnya and embit-tered by a loss of resources and stature. Mr. Yeltsin will find it hard now to rise above the fractious political forces in Moscow. His prospects for re-election in 1996 are declining. All this makes it es-sential that Washington have a Russia

policy, not a Yeltsin policy.

While not writing off Mr. Yeltsin. President Clinton must avoid the sort of bear hug that left President George Bush locked in Mr. Gorbachev's embrace. American policy should be anchored in support of economic, political and military reform in Russia, and of the institutions and people making it happen. That means reaching out to other democratic leaders like Yegor Gaidar, the former prime minister, cementing ties already formed between American and Russian government agencies, and expanding exchanges between senior military officials.

Cutting off assistance is not in Russian or American interests. Subsidizing the dismantling of nuclear weapons in the former Soviet Union, one example, is an indispensable investment in post-Cold War security. Congress has appropriated \$1.27 billion for that purpose since 1992.

After long delay, the International Monetary Fund is negotiating intensively with Russia about providing \$13 hillion desperately needed to help stabilize the economy and slow the inflation rate.

Delaying or conditioning the aid be-cause of the Chechen conflict may have short-term political appeal; the one sure way to prevent the assistance from indirectly financing the war is to put it on bold. But further delay in helping to shore up the Russian economy would punish the Russian people for Mr. Yeltsin's error, If Mr. Yeltsin is truly committed to making Russia democratic, he must move quickly to end the war in Chechnya.

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living and programmatic gauziness. Its

bureaucratic style and its employment

practices need to be further reined in. But

even so, there are still some good reasons

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tists and the cultural crowd network. The

networking used to come with an intoler-

able baggage of hostile ideology. Now it comes uncluttered and in the open style

intended by Unesco's postwar American

founders. The organization's most valuable programs inform professionals what

work needs to be done in their countries to

bring education, science and media up to international norms. This can usefully re-

inforce the internationalist thrust of many American public and private enterprises.

If the United States, the one global

might want to invent a reformed Unesco.

prosecutor who obtained his conviction told another jury that Mr. Jacobs did not

Hard as it is to save defendants from

injustice, it is harder still to prove that

innocent persons have actually been exe-

cuted. Yet a study by Hugo Bedau of

Tufts University and Michael Radelet of

the University of Florida argues that 350

defendants have been wrongly convicted

of capital crimes and as many as two

dozen have been wrongly executed. They

prove, at the least, that scores of defen-

dants have been convicted on flimsy evi-

dence, denied exculpatory evidence in the

prosecution's possession and treated un-

Society, no less than the accused

needs safeguards like adequate legal

counsel, court review under fair stan-

dards of proof and guarantees of fairly

selected juries. Few death penalty laws

provide that minimal justice. New

York's proposed law, blocked for 15

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penalty that is vengeful without protect-

ing society. But a state that calls itself

civilized yet elects to use the death penal-

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tion of the innocent. Otherwise its people

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Capital punishment is itself barbaric, a

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would be a wise move.

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**Executing the Innocent** 

Unesco is essentially an organization

for American participation.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# Russia Can't Enter the Future by Turning to the Past

MOSCOW — The bloody debacle unfolding in Chechnya is not a surprise. It is the inevitable result of a general switch of Russian policy, evident from the beginning of 1994, back toward an imperial mentality and toward the so-called "strengthening of the state."

I resigned as first deputy prime minister at the start of 1994 precisely because I had failed to convince President Boris Yeltsin that such a course would lead to disaster. He fully rejected my advice that only a firm and coherent commitment to market reforms could lead to a revival of economic growth and stability that would enable

democracy to take hold over the long run. Instead he took the opposite course throughout 1994. Economic stabilization efforts were cut short, the government took a more repressive stand on the domestic scene, and in foreign policy Russia moved away from the Western democracies and became more aggressive in dealing with neighbors in the "near abroad."
The Dec. 6 summit in Budapest of the

Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, at which Mr. Yeltsin unleashed worries by speaking of a "cold was a severe defeat for the advances that Russian foreign policy had made in recent years.

By Yegor Gaidar

I am not aware of all the internal details of this turn of events during 1994. But having been in that situation before, I can imagine how various advisers insisted in their conversations with the president that "liberal traditions don't have roots in Russia" and that "it is high time to establish order and put your foot down."

The relative victory of Vladimir Zhirinovsky in the last elections gave added force to the argument that such reasoning accorded with Russian public opinion.

Apparently, there was no one left in his circle to warn the president that when someone in Russia talks in a trembling voice about "strengthening the state." if usually leads to a bloody mess, especially when it means that the government decides to resolve complicated and delicate ethnic problems by force. Now these same advisers make helpless gestures and exclaim that they didn't intend events to unfold as they have.

If my experience is any guide, the mechanism to shield those responsible then becomes engaged out of fear of the consequences of their actions. Usually that means trying to cover up the mistakes of the first venture by diverting attention with an even bigger one. In the days and weeks ahead, we must be very wary of what is to come on this score. This whole dynamic has led Mr. Yelt-

sin to commit ever more tragic mistakes, which together now present a major threat to my country. I have already said publicly that the danger of a military coup cannot be ruled out.

The combat in Chechnya is, first of all, a major blow to the hard-held unity of Russia. Only six months ago, one could say that all talk about dissolution of the Federation was irresponsible speculation by those who understood little. Today this menace has become serious.

Everybody understands that the government won't be able to undertake military action everywhere trouble pops up. The army has shown in Grozny that it is not very well prepared and organized. That means that the central authorities are discredited. Faith in them has been undermined, and people look upon them as unreliable, unpredictable and dishonest. Internationally, Russia is now looked

upon with distrust because its direction and intentions are unknown.

If the president continues to deepen his misadventure by pursuing the policy

### Chinese Are Silenced but Russians Speak Out

great power is more unstable, China or Russia? The, quick answer is Russia. The elected leader, Boris Yeltsin, is besieged in Moscow after his

Russian television showed vivid pictures of the bombing of that city even as it showed President Yeltsin saying it wasn't so; then the cameras showed Mr. Yeltsin uphraiding his defense minister for

unity hut stressing how "dis-tressed" he is at civilian deaths and suggesting mediation by an organization of 53 nations.

The Chechens are dead serious about secession. If be lets Chechnya go, other Caucasian dominoes will fall and Moscow will be denied the Caspian oil it needs to rule a hundred nationalities across 11 time zones.

He tried negotiation, which was met by a declaration of mander in Russia." The televi-

Vietnam, with similar impact

people, who should be prouder of themselves for exercising their newfound freedom to debate a great issue.

Contrast that democratic turmoil to the facade of "stability" in China. With the death of Deng Xiaoping imminent, the leadership is cracking down on dissidents.

By jailing its leading independent thinkers, the regime in Beijing reveals its inherent weakness. The new imprisonment of the courageous Wei Jingsheng, China's Sakharov. was the tip-off that the leadership fears a popular uprising. this time led by angry workers rather than idealistic students. As Mr. Deng sinks, the number of panicky arrests rises.

This shows again that succession in a Communist state is a ruthless wrestle for power within an impenetrable clique. It mocks the assurances of China's Western apologists that a market economy leads

nutshell, here's the play.

to political freedom. In a litchi

Yang Shangkun, an old army leader whose powerful family was neutralized by Mr. Deng, is close to Admiral Liu Huaging, the nation's top military leader. They may challenge Mr. Deng's proteges, par-ty boss Jiang Zemin and Prime Minister Li Peng, by backing the economic chief, Zhu Rongji, or promoting a next-genera-tion politician, Hu Jintao, or by backing Qiao Shi, the former national security adviser and now chairman of the rubber-

What do 1.2 hillion Chinese bave to say about all this? Zilch, (Analysts in Beijing, aware of the exclusive accuracy of my prediction of Mao's successor in the '70s, will have to puzzle out "zilch.") And therein lies real instability.

A monolithic, totalitarian state, repressing the spirit of freedom, only seems secure; we have seen how it can suddenly collapse. A noisy, unruly democratic state, drawing on the legitimacy of free elections, is more secure -- no matter how shaky the leadership. That is why Russia is in better

yond his better instincts.

of settling the Chechen issue by force, Grozny will certainly fall, but with unac-

ceptably large numbers of casualties.

And after that only one thing is certain: a

long-term guerrilla war, or at least a terrorist conflict, all paid for with the

lives of our hapless young men.
While it is unlikely that an Islamic

front will form against Russia, we can be sure that we will suffer violent hostility

from within the Federation - not only

from Chechnya but also from Ingushena

The key to stopping this disaster from blowing up further is fully within the

hands of President Yeltsin and Prime

Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin. This is

true not only according to the Russian constitution but also in the actual bal-

ance of political forces in the country.

I know they fear that, if we leave

Chechnya now, Russia will disintegrate

as the Soviet Union did. But they should

ask themselves why did this not happen

before. De facto, Chechnya became inde-

pendent back in the autumn of 1991,

when we still had a Soviet president. Despite the secessionist declarations,

Russia did not disintegrate in the inter-

vening years, but became more unified

and strong. So why suddenly bomb Chechnya now, in 1995? What changed?

the crime problem emanating from net-

works in Chechnya has got out of con-

trol. True, there is such a problem. But it

should be resolved by the ordinary means

employed against criminals elsewhere. If

we were to follow the logic of Mr. Yelt-

sin's advisers on this score, we would

have to start bombing a host of Moscow

suburbs where there are Mafia-type con-centrations far more threatening to the

daily life of ordinary Russians.

Certainly it is harder to get out of

Chechnya now then it was before Dec.

16, when the chances for a peaceful reso-

lution were irresponsibly squandered by Deputy Prime Minister Nikolai Yegorov.

who was assigned to the negotiations.

Still, from the standpoint of Russia's

overall interests, negotiations will yield

better results than any resolution of the

Chechen conflict that could possibly

Simply, there are other ways to think

about the problem is Britain about to

disintegrate because of its negotiations

with the IRA? Will China disintegrate

hope that Mr. Yeltsin will see, as a result

of this disaster, that the old methods

cannot be applied to the new world; that

Russia's future cannot be secured by a

by ridding himself of those advisers in

the Defense Ministry and the National

Security Council who pushed him be-

The way to begin changing course is

return to the habits of the past.

Like many other Russians, I can only

because it has not conquered Taiwan?

emerge from continued use of force.

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One excuse for waging war now is that

and the Chechen part of Dagestan.

# By William Safire

WASHINGTON -- Which

hloody siege of Grozny, capi-tal of the little breakaway republic of Chechnya.

making him look like a liar. As Helmut Kohl telephoned to tell him that world opinion frowns on the savage method his Russian Federation is using to preserve its borders, Bill Clinton wrote a "Dear Boris" letter reaffirming support of

What is Mr. Yeltsin to do?

independence; he tried an in- sion crews are bringing bome ternal coup, which flopped; the horror of the war just as now he is trying force, which is American cameramen did in bringing world obloquy on his bead because the Chechens on Russian public opinion.
are fiercely lighting for their
homeland and the Russian should be proud of the Russian army has no beart for a long guerrilla battle, especially af-

ter the loss in Afghanistan. All that, added to Mr. Yeltsin's personal punchiness and isolation, is why Russia appears unstable. Americans tend to equate the future of democracy with the future of Mr. Yeltsin, who is on his last legs.

But consider the political miracle taking place in Moscow. An unpopular and unjust war is being denounced in the Parliament, with the reformer Grigori Yavlinsky openly calling for Mr. Yeltsin's resignation. The military is publicly divided between consciencestricken warriors and hard-line incompetents. Free speech is spilling out all over.

The newspapers, after centuries of czarist and Communist docility, are crusading: a picture of Defense Minister Pavel Grachev is captioned "the most talentless comstamp People's Congress.

political shape than China.

This comment was translated by Genrikh. Borovik for New Perspectives Quarterly. The New York Times.

## Isolationism? Not Yet, but Americans Do Seem Angry at the World

WASHINGTON -- Them: fs America going isolationist? power, did not have available an instru-Me: No. (Pause) At least, not yet.

ment to extend its global cultural reach, it That is the short version of con-The project does not rise to the level of versations with foreign visitors to Washington and of telephone vital national interest, but it bears on the quality of international life. Rejoining talks with friends and colleagues abroad. The question is old for them. The pause and the qualifying "not yet" are new for me. For other nations, Washington

is Omphalos on the Potomac, the global navel that foreigners contemplate to discern the meaning and direction of world politics. The opening days of the Republican Revolution on Capitol Hill bring a tide of visitors from abroad with the I-word on their lips.

Fear of American isolationism always lurks near the surface in Europe and Asia. The conservative Republican takeover of Con-

By Jim Hoagland

gress rekindles memories of the closed horizons of Smoot, Hawley, Taft and McCarthy. The world is anxiously taking the temperature of American internationalism, as it did two years ago when the governor of Arkansas was unexpectedly elected president.

Bill Clinton reassured Ameri-ca's political and economic partners in Europe, Asia and Latin America by getting behind NAF-TA and GATT. But be and the Democrats got little if any credit for internationalism on Nov. 8. This is one of the reasons for new tentativeness in my sense of where American attitudes about the rest of the world are going.

The anger that American voters displayed in tossing incumbents out of the White House in 1992 and out of Congress in 1994 is not limited to politicians. In impressionistic fashion, opinion polls suggest that Americans are angry at the world -especially at the new global economy that seems for many to limit or endanger careers and living standards in the United States.

This "foul mood ... is likely to last for a long time" and could lead to America being gripped by instability as we careen from one oversimplistic solution to anoth-Daniel Yankelovich, America's premier public opinion analyst, told the National Civic shortly after the election. Mr. Yankelovich argued that

League in a prescient speech

this result is not inevitable. A renewed commitment to community and national civic organizations could yet convert "the threat of class warfare and social instability into something far more positive and constructive." But his projection that a paralyzing national in-stability is now possible will feed foreign fears that an internationalist America committed to world

peace is a thing of the past.

Mr. Clinton's election was itself a sign that Americans felt a need to turn inward to fix the economy. Now, because of three trends that Mr. Yankelovich identifies, there is a danger that this benign turning inward could barden into a bitter xenophobia fucling active isolationism.

The majority of Americans are failing to participate in the bene-fits of economic growth, Mr. Yankelovich waras. Growth is purchased by career-limiting, tech-nology-driven downsizing and by "exporting jobs to Third World countries." He added: "The hrutal reality is that in today's global economy employers can grow and he profitable by restructuring their operations to be less dependent on full-time, full-benefit employees."

A "contingent labor force" is emerging in an America that creates jobs (3.5 million last year) but not economic security. This happens as "important core values Americans share in common grow weaker, the second trend that Mr. Yankelovich emphasizes,

or American nation and shoulder-shrugging equal or even surpass those of world-weary Europeans."

Trend three: a growing disconnection between this alienated pubbe and the nation's politicians, experts, journalists and other professionals who treat the public at large as being stupid or irrationally angry" for failing to appreciate that America has a growing economy.

"What drives people wild with frustration is the lack of responsiveness, a feeling of being ignored, misunderstood, exploited and played upon like a pack of fools," Mr. Yankelovich said.

f quote him at length because the dangers he cites seem to me to be increasingly dramatic and real. His analysis underlines that this era's problems are much bigger than the personalities and policies of Bill Clinton, Newt Ging-

rich and Boh Dole. These three men, and their parties, must now hang together and respond to America's frustrations with real leadership. Otherwise they will hang separately in future 🤌 elections in which independent candidates will change the shape of American history.

The Republican congressional takeover is symptom, not cause. of an American flirtation with isolationism. Republicans need to be sensitive to the fears of the rest of the world about the uses to which they will put their victory. Exploiting anger is cheap politics. Defusing or channeling it to constructive purposes is the art of

#### Traditional optimism is shrinkleadership. The Washington Post. ing to a point where "the levels

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#### 1895: A French Spy

LONDON -- A sensation was caused last evening [Jan. 9] hy a statement which appeared in various evening journals. "The Anarchists in London have seized an important French police official." On inquiry I was informed of an affair which had put the Anarchist community in London in an uproar. A young man, known as Eugène, had gained confidence of French Anarchists, and was admitted to their most secret gatherings. He proved to be a well known French agent named Cotin, alias Cavalier, alias Cottance. The anarchists first proposed to kill the spy, but then simply kicked him into the street.

### 1920: Split on Treaty

WASHINGTON -- President Wilson and Mr. William Jennings Bryan came to a definite break on

the ratification of the Treaty of Versailles at the Jackson Day dinner at the Willard hotel last night [Jan. 9]. The break is of such a nature that it may have not only the gravest national and international consequences, but it is likely to result in a split in the Demo-cratic party. The President repeated his dictum that the Treaty be ratified without changes.

#### 1945: Cigarette Theft PARIS -- Sentences of forty-five

and fifty years' imprisonment at

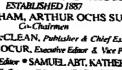
hard labor and dishonorable discharge from the U.S. Army were imposed here yesterday [Jan. 9] on four American soldiers who were convicted by a court-martial of stealing cigarettes and other Army rations. The four were the first of 184 soldiers, including two officers, who were arrested in the hig drive against the theft and illegal sales of cigarettes.

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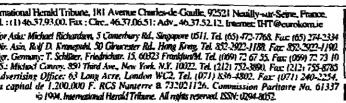
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#### By Lally Weymouth

sistance Act that be plans to intro-

duce this month, he will demand

that the president provide a report

to Congress explaining how many

Russian troops are located in vari-

ous newly independent republics

and identifying the reason these forces are stationed outside Rus-

sia's own borders. If the adminis-

tration asserts that a republic has

asked for Russian troops, it will be

required to provide documenta-

The question is whether America should "provide aid to a coun-

try that is occupying other coun-tries against their will." If Russian

troops are in independent repub-

lies without the consent of their

governments, this should trigger a

cutoff of U.S. aid to Russia.

As for Chechnya, Mr. McConnell believes that "the Russians

bave every right to deal with it as they see fit," since it lies within

the boundaries of the Federation.

South Korea, he says, repre-sents another vital U.S. security

interest. He is highly skeptical

about Washington's recent deal

with North Korea, although at

the moment he will say only that

it should be carefully scrutinized.

He sees special virtue in pro-

viding foreign aid to countries

with which America has strong

commercial ties. He emphasizes

that he does not want to reduce

aid monies where important trade

relationships are involved.

tion to support the claim.

**Closer Attention to the National Interest** 

WASHINGTON — Senator Mitch McConnell sees the Republican takeover of Congress as an opportunity to chart new directions in foreign policy. In an interview, the new chairman of the Foreign Operations Subcom-mittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee outlined some changes be bopes to bring about. "One might get the impression

from the election that Republicans as a group are isolationists," the Kentucky senator said, but that simply isn't the case. He called himself a firm "internationalist." "My goal is to see that our party not be isolationist."

He said he views foreign aid "as a useful tool [to help America] continue to be the number one power in the world." But he sees a need for America to spend its assistance money in a new manner: "It ought to directly complement our national security and economic interests."

As examples of areas he considers to be U.S. security priori-ties, he pointed 10 the Middle East, South Korea and the former Soviet republics. He would keep up the level of funding specified for Israel and Egypt under the Camp David accords. And he thinks it important to assist the post-Soviet states in their quest to establish independent identities. Indeed, he advocates "ear-marking" funds for Ukraine,

of guaranteeing and even increasing the U.S. commitment to those newly independent countries. He believes that averting reemergence of the Russian empire needs to be a key U.S. foreign policy goal. He advocates "conditioning aid to Russia on its be-

Georgia and Armenia as a means

He advocates cutting foreign aid by 20 percent: "If we are genuinely interested in downsizing the federal government, we ought not to be funding programs ahroad that we wouldn't pay for at home." For example, he wants havior as regards this issue. In a rewrite of the Foreign Asto stop aiding countries that are

not making "significant" efforts to reform their economies. When pressed, he points to Latin America and African countries. He would abolish the Agency

for International Development. He regards the U.S. invasion of Haiti as a "classic" example of military action in an area in which the United States has no genuine security interest: "We ought not to be using our money or our troops in places where we have no interests ... We have to exercise some restraint ... Why in the world would we spend a billion and a half dollars picking sides in a banana republic?"

The majority leader, Senator Bob Dole, has called for lifting the arms embargo on Bosnia and arming the Bosnian Muslims. but Mr. McConnell sees no U.S. national security interests in Bosnia, either. He adamantly opposes sending U.S. troops or foreign aid money to the Balkans, although he is open to the notion of lifting

the arms embargo on Bosnia.
In the post-Cold War world, America would be wise to "exercise its strength, make certain where its national interests lie and ... control itself," he concluded. "You have to put yourself on a diet when it comes to intervention, devise a meticulous approach to the use of the military and target foreign aid to areas where U.S. interests lie."

The senator with the power of the purse will play a major role in setting the direction of foreign policy. Mr. McConnell made clear that mere authorization of a program will not ensure its financing. "Just because there is an African Development Fund that's authorized doesn't mean it has to get money."

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## No More a Pariah State **But Tough Days Ahead**

By Anthony Lewis

Slovo used to be a hate figure:

a white man who led the Communist Party and planned

Land is a profound problem guerrilla war against the regime.

But when he died on Friday, newspapers printed recognitions of blacks were forced off their land — not just 100 or newspapers printed respectful tributes to him as a negotiator who helped create the new government and served as its minis-

ter of housing.
To visit South Africa is an adventure in the suspension of disbelief. Whites who used to hluster defensively about their country now ask eagerly, "How do you like the new

South Africa? To be out of pariah status in the world is wonderful. The end of apartheid liberated white South Africans as it did black.

There is reason for euphoria. Not many societies — perhaps not any — have gone through so radical a political transformation with so little pain. But it is important to understand that the necessary process of social

change has barely begun. in a country with surplus electric generating capacity, 63 percent of all blacks live in homes without electricity.

Many have no running water. High schools have just fin-ished the school year. Econo-

PRETORIA - For many mists say that of all South Afriwhite South Africans, Joe can graduates seeking work,

200 but 20 years ago, when the zealous machinery of apartheid ground on. Under the new con-stitution, a land claims commission will decide how to compensate them for the theft.

The victims of what was called "removal" from land were dumped in poor rural areas. You drive through beautiful farm land and then come to the Ciskei, one of those dumping grounds: hare ruined plots crowded with people. The Cisker's population is nine times the

carrying capacity of the land. Or go to the suburbs of Dur-ban. Squatters have built shacks right up against modern apart-ment buildings. What is to be done to house the desperate urban poor?

Education may be the most urgent need. The architects of apartheid deliberately degraded the education of hlacks so they would be fit only to serve a white-supremacist system. As new economic opportunities grow now, the country will be short of trained talent.



Those are some of the problems facing the government of National Unity that emerged from last April's election. The question is whether it can tackle

them without ending the pre-sent era of good feeling. "This will be a more difficult year," Thabo Mbeki, the deputy president, said in a conversation. But be seemed confident that the government could hegin to make real changes this year and still keep

the country behind it. Changes in policy will require changes in personnel -The police force, the civil service, broadcasting: They are a

300 new houses, even if none gation to help it succeed."

few of the areas where there are for them — and if we con-

will have to be new people. sult the people, and explain." It will not be easy to transform institutions long devoted change comes. But the country to defending apartheid. But has a blessing hardly imagin-"even people in positions of able even a few years ago: free-power must understand that dom. The horrors of detention their happiness depends on without trial and secret-police change," Mr. Mbeki said.

What about the impoverished

always a delicate husiness. replied: "Squatters will be since the American Revolution

PHILIPPE MALAURIE

cle. I really enjoyed it.

the Information Super-Thing to

be of any use, we'll all oced

fiber optic cables to the door-

That prohably won't happen.

Thank you for Mr. Spurgeon's article. However, I think he falls into a common

with the message. The recent hype over the World Wide Weh, or WWW, serves only to

distract people from thinking

about the diverse types of in-

formation that traverse the In-

ternet. Fundamentally, the In-

ternet is simply a set of

protocols that allow a global

connected network to ex-

change information. The single

most important application for most people is still plain old-

The obsession some have

with the commercialization of

the Internet is a red herring.

The Internet has been driven

hy commerce for a long time.

the Nexis data base is connect-

ed to the Internet. I think this

is exactly the point.

Mr. Spurgeon mentions that

The Internet as a universal

medium is so powerful that

private data services are being

forced to book up. The fact

that you have to pay for the

The key idea is that anyone

anywhere can connect to the

data base using the vastly more

efficient and more reliable In-

ternet rather than paying for

what could be an expensive

one should expect all informa-

tion and services available over

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Cookham, England.

There has to be strain as savagery are gone.

There is a sense of the possimajority? I asked. Wouldn't it be hie in South Africa. An Amerihard for a government led by can conservative, Caspar Weinthe African National Congress herger, caught it when he to hold the loyalty of its hasic visited here recently. He wrote constituents when change can in Forbes magazine: "South Af-"Not if they see something invigorating, hopeful voyage really changing," Mr. Mocki any country has attempted

The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Justice for Algerians Regarding "Don't Look for 'Moderates' in the Islamist Revohttion" (Opinion, Jan. 4) by Pe-ter W. Rodman:

Mr. Rodman offers yet another example of an analysis the peoples of the world exthat refuses to come to grips with the underlying cause of the current violence in Algeria. have been busy disseminating Anyone who wants an end to their propaganda depicting Isthe violence should first persuade the military junta in Al- ance and violence. giers to step down and complete the electoral process that it so hrutally truncated through a coup in January 1992. The Islamic Salvation Front, or FIS, which was poised for a resounding victory in that election,

should be allowed to rule, if that is the wish of the people. Mr. Rodman may have forgotten that for months, even after the FIS was robbed of its legitimate electoral triumph, it are employing. exercised a great deal of restraint and refrained from resorting to an armed struggle, this great Earth to come for-It was only after the military ward from their silence and dejunta began its harsh reression clare to their misguided co-reli-

military wing developed within the true nature of Islam. ay, military group in the Islamic movement in Algeria, it is true, are seeking redress for their cause through methods many Muslims would ahhor. But the vast majority of Muslims the world over realize that unless justice is done in Algeria, the cycle of violence will not end. Influential Western governments and important

to understand this simple truth. CHANDRA MUZAFFAR. Director, Just World Trust.

#### Penang, Malaysia. Fight the Propaganda

Those Serbian nationalists who are intent on destroying the rights and aspirations of Bosnian Muslims, and those non-Muslim individuals who

### Correction

A transmission error caused the loss of several lines in Flora Lewis's column "National Crisis: Russia's Fate in the Balance in Chechnya" (Opinion, Jan. 6). The passage should read: So long as he is left in charge, General Grachev's response is to become ever more fierce, but he can't be sure his orders will be executed. If Mr. Yeltsin can't even rely on the army, having disgusted his initial supporters, he can only

look to his Kremlin court.

Islam, have no better ally than the Islamic extremists who resort to murder and terror in

religious goals. Although the sympathy of tends to the Bosnian victims of Serbian aggression, the Serbs lam as a propagator of intoler-

As traditional Islam advocates nonviolence, reason and tolerance, how has it come to pass that fear, repression and conflict have come to overwhelm so much of the Islamic world? Hopefully, those who have chosen violence to attain their goals of power will come to understand that the golden ends for which they strive will be debased by the means they

In the meantime, it is up to the vast majority of Muslims on of FIS and its supporters that a gionists, and to everyone else,

ALEXANDER EPSTEIN.

### Blind, Craven or Both

As a frustrated European, may I simply add this to the IHT's contributions to the Bosnia debate: Whether the Bosnian catastrophe results from intellectual blindness (the "tribal war" version that politicians have somehow managed to sell to their publics), from sheer cra-Western think-tanks should try venness, or from both, the ver-dict of history will be the same. A civilization that is no longer conscions of the values around which it grew, or which is no longer willing or able to fight for them, cannot hope to sur-

vive very long. MICHEL MARCHETEAU.

#### Paris. Chechnya: Clinton Slips

As an expatriate American, I was greatly disappointed by the noncommittal policy of the Clinton administration toward Rwanda and Bosnia. This disappointment has become ntter disgust at President Bill Clin-ton's support for Boris Yeltsin's handling of the Chechnya crisis. This irresponsible position was exemplified by the attempt hy an official government spokesman to compare the conflict to the American Civil War. There

are absolutely no grounds for

such a comparison other than

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bear contempt and hostility to hlind attachment to international borders.

As any school child knows, the main cause of the Civil War saved the world in World War pursuit of their political and/or was the South's determination II, and that French-American to maintain the morally inde-fensible institution of slavery, and certainly not an attempt by and amhiguin a colonized people to throw off foreign policy. the domination of a decaying empire. To compare the United States with a colonial empire is to miss what America is about. Found in the Cybernet Chechnya is the perfect example of a land and people subjugated over the centuries by hloody conquest and attempted

genocide by a giant neighbor. MARC L ROLLAND.

### A Better Protectionism

Frederik Sunesson ("The Tide Lifts All Ships," Letters, Jan. 3) misses my point. Ohviously we all have to adjust to the reality of Asian productivi-ty. But how? Through the crude step and cheap connections. weapon of currency deprecia-tion or the careful choosing of industries to support or discard? Either way we are being protectionist. But currency depreciation is not only a much cruder form of protectionism; it usually comes much too late. after immense damage has already been done to a nation's industrial base and social fab-

ric, as with Britain. Few seem to have noticed, hut the allegedly free-trade Reaganite regime in the '80s was a good example of selective protectionism when it set out via export quotas to force Japanese car makers to begin pro-duction in the United States. The United States preserved employment, U.S. car makers got the breathing space, and the technology, to allow them to stage their present comeback. particularly now that the dollar has fallen, at last, to competi-

tive levels. What would the free traders have done in the early '80s? Al-lowed much of the U.S. car industry to go bankrupt, and then waited for a painful recovery after the dollar had sunk to levels even lower than it is today?

#### GREGORY CLARK. Tokyo.

Voice From the Shadow Regarding the report "U.S. Influence Eclipsing French in Halti" (Dec. 31):

Remember that the Americans have "eclipsed" the French before — in Saigon, Phnom Penh, Beirut. Such grand suc-cesses! Fortunately, the world

also knows, and understands I enjoyed Mr. Spurgeon's ar-ticle. I think there is a problem looming, however. Consider: with genuine gravitude, that it was the United States that I) The number of messages being sent over the Internet.

Paris.

relations go much deeper, cer-tainly "eclipsing" the hlunders The number of newspaper articles (such as Mr. Spur-geon's) about the messages beand amhiguines of American ing sent over the Internet.

The number of messages sent (such as this one was) on the Internet commenting on articles in print about the messages being sent over the Internet.

Regarding "Information Su-per-Thing: How Close Are We Really?" (Business/Finance, Jan. 2) by Brad Spurgeon: 4) The number of articles (Mr. Spurgeon's next one, probably) about messages being sent over the Internet commenting I was sitting in the dining on articles in print about mes-

sages sent over the Internet... Anyway, I would have writroom at my botel in Amsterdam reading the paper when I spied ten at greater length, but I need Mr. Spurgeon's Cybernet artithe time to check my news-

But it seems to me that for groups before I go to bed. BEN GOLDBERG. Rocquencourt, France.

### An Innocent in Washington

By Rhoda Newman

personal secretary. The salary was \$6 a day.
Twain, no stranger to political perks, thought the appointment could be made "one of the best paying berths in Washington."

In his "Reminiscences," published 40 years later, Senator Stewart described Twain's first

visit: "I was seated at my window one morning when a very disreputable-looking person

#### MEANWHILE

slouched into the room. He was arrayed in a seedy suit, which hung upon his lean frame in bunches with no style worth mentioning. A sheaf of scraggy black hair leaked out of a battered slouch hat, like stuffing from an ancient Colonial sofa, and an evil-smelling cigar hutt, very much frazzled, protruded from the corner of his mouth.

He had a very sinister appearance." The two had first met in the Nevada Territory in 1861. Twain's hrother, Orion, had been named secretary of the territory by his old friend, Edward Bates, Lincoln's attorney general. Twain (Samuel Clemens didn't actually adopt that pseudonym until 1863) became a sometime prospector and a reporter on the Virginia City Territorial Enterprise. His wit also gained him some much needed income on the highly paid lecture circuit. The posters he designed read "The Doors

Open at 7:00; the Trouble Begins at 8:00."

When he came to Washington in the fall of religious people there are too feeble, in intellect, in morality, in piety— in everything pretty stay while he worked on a book. He had spent five much. You had better drop this." months as a correspondent saturizing a group of pious, middle-class tourists traveling throughout shouted: "Leave the house! Leave it forever Europe and the Holy Land on the steamship forever, too." Twain concluded, "I regarded Quaker City. His hilarious newspaper accounts of as a sort of covert intimation that my serve the excursion had been enthusiastically received." When he returned, he found several offers to expand his columns into book form. This compilation, which appeared in 1869, was to become his first published book, "Innocents Ahroad."

Senator Stewart considered Twain's material bully," and proposed, "I'll appoint you my clerk at the Senate, and you can live on the salary." senator was living in a rooming house while his family was in Paris, and he invited Twain to make write your book in here. Help yourself to the whiskey and cigars, and wade in."

Twain took the senator at his word hut soon alienated him by tormenting their genteel Southern landlady, hurching around pretending to be stop annoying this little lady, I'll give you a sound thrashing — I'll wait till that book's finsound thrashing — I'll wait till that book's finSenator Stewart nonetheless remembered his I'll thrash you after it's finished."

Twain persisted in teasing the landlady. When Senator Stewart protested again, he promised, but I have heard of him for "I'll give up my amusements, hut I'll get even then, and I understand the with you." The senator added: "He did. When he and become respectable." wrote 'Roughing It,' he said I had cheated him out of some mining stock ... and that he had

given me a sound thrashing." Twain lasted barely a month in his new job.

Congress for 23 years. She congress what did Mark Twain do during his tenment to The Washington Post.

WASHINGTON — In November 1867, ure at the Senate? There are only the briefest Mark Twain was hired by William M. indications in his letters. On Dec. 5, 1867, he Stewart, the first senator from Nevada, as his wrote to Frank Fuller, who was trying to manage his appearances on the lecture circuit: "I can frank letters, now, very well, with that signature; yesterday I drew my first stationery, and did it without detection; in 10 days more I hope to be able to collect httle dabs of mileage on it, & such things." One envelope has been found franked with Senator Stewart's name in Twain's handwrit-

ing addressed to his sister Pamela. Some months later he wrote an article for Galaxy entitled "My Late Senatorial Secretaryship," in which he spoofed the kinds of letters staffers were, and still are, supposed to answer. When the senator handed him a constituent request for the establishment of a post office. Twain replied: "What the mischief do you suppose you want with a post office at Baldwin's Ranch? It would not do you any good. If any

Letters came there, you couldn't read them
... What you want is a nice jail."
A request came that a hill be introduced in
Congress incorporating the Episcopal Church of
Nevada. The senator asked Twain to reply that this was more properly under the jurisdiction of

the state legislature. Twain's response: "You will have to go to the State Legislature about this little speculation of yours — Congress don't know anything about religion. But don't you try to go there, either; because this thing you propose to do out in that new country isn't expedient — in fact, it is simply ridiculous. Your religious people there are too feeble, in intellect, in group is a circulation of the country isn't as a constitution of the country isn't as a countr

After several other such letters, the senator shouted: "Leave the house! Leave it forever and forever, too." Twain concluded, "I regarded that as a sort of covert intimation that my services

Twain never worked another day on the Hill. but that didn't stop him from pulling strings trying to get his brother appointed commissioner of patents or himself named postmaster of San Francisco or sent on a diplomatic mission to China. Finally, in March 1868, he decided to devote his time to writing and left "this city of

shabby furniture and shabby food" without regret. Years later, in his first novel, "The Gilded Age." himself at home: "There's a little hall bedroom co-authored with Charles Dudley Warner, he reacross the way where you can sleep, and you can membered Washington this way: "Everybody attached to himself an exaggerated importance, from the fact of being at the national capital, the center of political influence, the fountain of patronage, preferment, jobs, and opportunities."

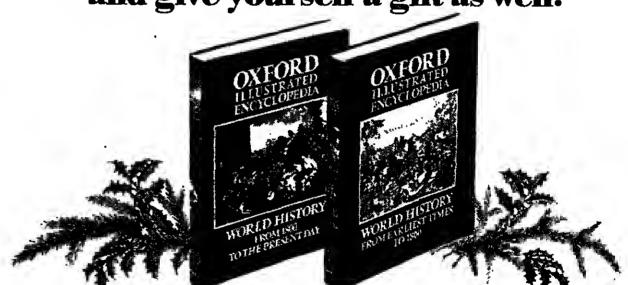
Twain carried with him a lasting contempt for

drunk and smoking cigars in bed. Certain that the house would burn down, she appealed to Senator Stewart. He warned Twain, "if you don't more: "It could probably be shown by facts and

wayward staffer in rather kindly fashion: "I was confident that he would come to no good end, but I have heard of him from time to time since then, and I understand that he has settled down

Ms. Newman. a free-lance writer, worked for the Congressional Research Service at the Library of Congress for 23 years. She contributed this com-

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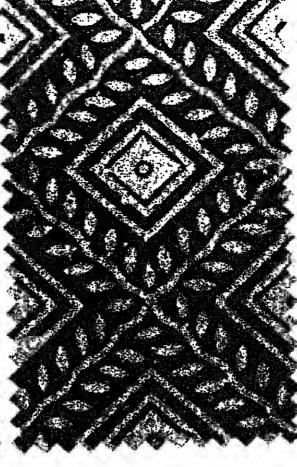
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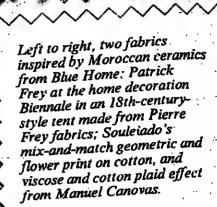
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# There's No Place Like Home: The Biennale of Decoration dry velvet worked into stripes. Add to that, passementerie in the shape of a lyre as the ulti-

By Suzy Menkes ional Herald Tribune

ARIS — Home is where the action is this week. But doo't think that Parisians are cocooning after the end-of-theyear festivities. Instead, France is celebrating the art of the home on a grand scale, with exhibitions that place the emphasis oo upscale living known here as la vie de château.

Succulent swags of fahric forming a trio of tents made a dramatic statement at the opening Monday of the Biennale des Editeurs de la Décoration. The tents formed the entrance to the stand of Pierre Frey and were inspired by the tented follies found in 18th-century gardens — if you owned a park rather than a backyard.

the Grand Palais is under repair — is a ritzy affair, launched with a series of parties, includ-



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ing a tribute to American designers by Ambassador Pamela Harriman on Tuesday at the United States Consulate.

Later this week comes the Bijorhea show of arts of the table and objects of desire at the Porte de Versailles exhibition center (Jan. 13 to 17). The Biennale (until Jan. 16)

is a celebration of fabric and the imaginative ways it can be woven, printed, colored and draped. The generosity of the materials and the wealth of ideas make it a gourmet feast for decorators and an indication of the major trends. With red on a field of yellow-gold dominant colors and fahrics designed to shimmer and shine, the effect is rich and rare. But the light and airy amhience and room settings suggesting boliday homes in exotic places (more Caribhean than Pro-The Biennale—placed under vence) prevent the show from turning into an orgy of opuvence) prevent the show from

Sampling from the past is a strong story — as in other branches of the arts. Here a pattern of Chippendale chairs from the British Warner Fabrics; there Pierre Frey's classical cameos that look as though

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Marie-Martine 8, rue de Sèvres,

they are hand-painted. There are prints of trees and flowers that look as though they come from 16th-century botanical books. And fabrics plunge back to the past with Crusader emblems, heraldic motifs, Tudor roses and inspiration from medieval ecclesiastical robes not to mention France's sym-

bolic fleur-de-lys. How to make old prints look contemporary? The master colorist Manuel Canovas dips into archives for a print of a Dutch peasant scene, and then either

though it were new rather than faded. Or he takes an elephant hunt from India and makes it in subtle tones of ink blue on black or green with bronze.

If prints are not brought back from long ago, they come from far away: sailboats streaming across the ocean at Nohilis and Moroccan pots and tiles reworked as fabrics by the Florence-based Blue Home, Ceramics are a favorite theme from neoclassical vase patteros

recolors it or reproduces it in its through arabesques. (An exhi-original ox-blood red, but as bition of the history of Tunisian ceramics is on at the Institut du Monde Arabe until March 26.)

The modernity is in the mix, which can mean different periods put together as in a huilding

"It's a mix of cultures," said Jean-Pierre Deméry of Souleiado, showing the way that a Beaujolais-red Provençal plaid or an enlarged toile de Jouy print work with a red-and-gold African motif. (The stand io-

cludes a couple of stuffed elephants.)

Nobilis serves up a cocktail of fabrics: five weaves and six colors thrown together in one room set in an artful and luxurious way. The mixes of color and print include sunshine shades as oeat plaids, bold hrusb strokes of mimosa and formal roses. But there are also contrasts of surface textures: a synthetic cotton and polyester with the sheen of taffeta; slithery rayons; shimmering flower-printed silk damask, and thick,

mate in sophisticated decora-

Is the tented bed with fancy pom-poms and dangling ropes really making a comeback? An exhibition of historical beds, "Réves d'Alcôves," opens
Wednesday at the Musée des
Arts Décoratifs, showing the
metamorphosis of the fourposter, to the 18th-century Polonaise and the Empire boat-

At the Biennale, Braquenié shows a splendid version of the lit à la Polonaise, in a print of ramhling roses, while the stand of Madame Figaro is created as a clotted-cream tent that could pass for minimalist in the ornate surroundings.

"Our tents came from the mery. idea of doing something different in homage to the fabric makers and upholsterers," said Patrick Frey, who had called on the French-American decorator Thierry Despont to trans-form the striped and star-patterned fabrics — creafed originally for the Middle Eastern market, but now an international hit.

The Arab influence - meaning arabesques, Moorish symbols and Orientalism — adds another layer of richness to sumptuous fabrics. But the terials only have to look as though they were plucked on the silk road oo the way from Samarkand. Deschemaker uses modern, even futuristic fabrics to get the effect: a viscose and cottoo with moire watermarks to decorating, where a oew valand a soft sheen in 22 colors at ue is put on native handcrafts. affordable prices; Lurex woven But the impulse to create homes into its Scheherazade prints to give glitter, or a brushed cotton

denim with a velvet pile. Natural band weaves (or urban reality of most modern counterbalance the futuristic add a little fantasy.

By Robert Byrne

Sicilian Defense because it has

no concrete target. Had Polgar

presented one with 6...Nf6, then

25 would have transposed into

Keres Attack, but instead, she

followed a low-profile course of

development with 6...a6 7 Be3

Had Shirov foreseen what

On 12 Qg2 b4 13 Ne2 h5!?, it

would have been more prudent

joy superior mobility and the

initiative in return for the sacri-

Shirov's 14 gh5? let Polgar strike hard with 14...Nf5!, when 15 Bd2 Nh4 16 Qg3 Be4 17 Rg1 Nhf3 would have thrown White

for a loss in material. But on 15 Bí2, Polgar charged with

15...Qg5!, preparing to win hack two pawns with great positional superiority after 16 Qg5 Nf3 17 Kd1 Ng5 followed by 18...Ne4 and 19...Rh5.

Shirov tried to fight out of that mess with 16 Na5, but Polescotters to be provided by the provided that mess with 16 Na5, but Polescotters to be provided by the provided by the

gar struck a beautiful blow with

16...Ne3!, the first point being that 17 Qg5? meets with 17...Nf3 mate. The second point

was that 17 Be3 Qe3 creates the

ficed pawn.

from the Italian company Etro makes an impressive cross-cultural mix. Missoni, with its magic carpets of pattern, is another Italian company showing its wares, while Christopher Norman with Groves Brothers fabrics leads the American con-

What do the exhibitors think of their new surroundings, which had a logiam at the entrance at Monday's opening?

"I find it a bit cold, but it is very spacious and once you are inside it seems fine," said Bettina Caignault, design director of Braquenie,

"It is a good atmosphere and space," said Soulciado's De-

"It is good," said Manuel Canovas "It does not have the charm of the Grand Palais, but it is very functional. And I think it is impressive to find a big, professional space in the heart of Paris."

Thinking A

Is there a precise parallel between what is going on in high ashioo and at the luxury end of the decorating market?

In both areas, borrowing from the past is endemic - although it seems more logical in the world of interiors to have a historical perspective, because period houses and apartments are part of the architecture of all Western countries.

The interest in folklore and ethnic costume applies equally the desire to escape the harsh rather the illusion of them) lives. Ethnic colors and designs

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#### **ESCADA** in Paris

SALES ON WINTER

### What Happened To Fake Fur? ARIS - Where have all the fake furs gone? Gooe to

mark downs every one? In Europe, snowdrops have sprouted and the first Valentines are appearing in store windows. But the fashion for faux fur that was given big play on designer runways has failed to materialize on the street. Sure there are furry trims on parkas -as there have always

been. Yet trimmings on regular coats tend to be mock-mink (or maybe synthetic monkey), rather than the frankly fake furs in chemical colors that were a designer trend from Chanel On the Paris Left Bank oo Saturday, fake furs were in to New York's evidence, on sale, in every other boutique. In New York, well

before the holidays. Chanel's black-and-white fake-fur follies were on the mark-down racks. Techno-bright fake furs sold like hot cakes early in the season, according to Françoise Montenay, Chanel's geocral season, according to Françoise Montenay, Chanel's geocral manager, who says that the monkey-trimmed jackets were also bought by fans. The hlack and white did oot move, but was anyway intended as a "fashion element" — a bit of fun. The violent colors were also deliberately designed by Lagerfeld oot to look anything like real fur. They were, as ever, the icing sugar on top of the sensible best-selling Chanel suits.

Nicole Fischelis, fashion director of Saks Fifth Avenue, says that fake fur sold in the medium-price market, mostly as fur trims on outerwear. As a clothing fabric, it oever bar-

fur trims on outerwear. As a clothing fabric, it oever bappened. "It's the ongoing story about the gap between what's going on the runway and what we sell," she says. "You have to ask how realistic all these trends are."

Suzy Menkes



#### TO MY CHILDREN'S CHILDREN

By Sindiwe Magona. 167 pages. \$24.95; paperback, \$11.95. Interlink Books.

Reviewed by Mark Mathabane

F OR all the stories about the Poew South Africa, the plight of black women — who comprise 53 percent of the country's population, head nearly two-thirds of the households and make up the majority of the poor and illiterate —continues to get short shrift. It's as if their problems had been solved by the abolition of white minority rule and the electioo of Nelson Mandeln as president

of a democratic South Africa
Yet nothing could be further
from the truth. The problems of black women in South Africa cry out for articulation and resolution. They call for a recognition by the Mandela government that it is not enough to have enshrined women's rights in a progressive constitution. Those rights must be realized in daily life, through the empowerment of millions of women who fought, sacrificed and died with men in the national libera-tion struggle but in many ways still find themselves treated as second-class citizens. Published second-class citizens. Published simultaneously with her short-story collection, "Living, Lov-ing and Lying Awake at Night" (Interlink), Sindiwe Magona's autobiographical "To My Chil-dren's Children" illuminates

they evolved from the days scape, from the days when when black traditional life was blacks still had rights under the still uncomplicated by white oppression and racism.

Magona's memoir is a delightful, poignant, feisty and uplifting story that chronicles, io a refreshing and authentic voice, what it means to attain womanhood in a society where patriarchy and apartheid often conspired to degrade and enslave women economically, politically, and sexually. By interweaving major eveots in South Africa's history since the 1940s with memorable slices of her childhood adolescence hood, adolescence, motherhood and womanhood, Magona vividly illustrates how forced removals, influx control, the homeland and migratory labor systems, anachronistic African practices witchcraft and polygamy have

Gabriel Singson, governor of the Central Bank of the Phil-

ippines, is reading "Secrets of the Temple: How the Federal Reserve Runs the Country" by

"It's interesting because of

my job, but the situation is dif-

ferent in each country."
(Kevin Murphy, IHT)

William Greider.

**BOOKS** the problems by showing how rican political and social landliberal rule of Jan Smuts to the rise of Afrikaner nationalism and the inception of apartheid. For instance, in 1942 when Magona was born in the Transkei, home of the Xhosa tribe and of Mandela, she was regarded as a South African citizen. She became disenfranchised when the Afrikaners were swept into pow-

er in 1948 on a mandate of white Magona's memoir spans 23 years, beginning with a some-what idyllic childhood of love and strong family ties in a "peo-ple-filled world," where it was almost impossible for "an individual to be destitute in the sense of having no connections with a living soul." This nurturing envi-ronment instilled in her the valsuch as lobola (bride price), ues that became crucial to weather the onslaught that was

hurt women the most.

She provides us with a rare panoramic view of the South Af
weather the distanguit that was to come: survival in the ghettos of Cape Town; constant police raids; dealing with apartheid's

Kafkaesque bureaucracy of unjust laws; teenage motherhood; toiling as an underpaid and overworked teacher; the humiliation of working as a maid for higoted whites; being abandoned, pregnant and the mother of two, by her husband; and, finally, her efforts at self-reliance by selling sheep heads as a

Africans, education became a powerful weapon of hope for Magona. The credit for her acquiring this indispensable company of her liberation belows was coming, he might have pro-As with so many black South ponent of her liberation belongs which sacrifices a pawn to obto her father, who "suffered tain a knight outpost at the e5 scorn and ridicule for educating square. for Shirov to play 14 gho Bho 15 Bho Rho 16 O-O-O Qbo 17 Nbd4 N7go 18 Rg1, although after 18...Rc8, Black would en-

Magona's book has a message for her children's children: that younger generations of blacks in South Africa and America never forget that freedom was dearly bought and that they must be its guardians and defenders. And in times of doubt and difficulty, they must draw from the hallowed memory of the struggles and sacrifices of those who have gone before the vital strength and faith to sustain and inspire themselves, mindful that they too, as a link in a chain of hope that must never be broken, bear the responsibility of leaving behind memories of a life future generations will be proud of, and hopefully be inspired by.

Mark Mathabane, the author, most recently, of "African Wom-en: Three Generations," wrote this for The Washington Post.

#### CHESS UDITH POLGAR heat J Alexei Shirov in Round 8 in the Polugayevsky Tournament. The thrust 6 g4 is especially aggressive at this juncture of the

Position after 15 Na5

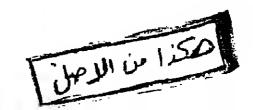
terrible threat of 18...Nf3 19 Kd1 Qd2 mate.

Accordingly, Shirov played Qg3 and was forced to lose rook for hishop after 17...Qg3 18 Ng3 Nc2 19 Kd1 Na1 20

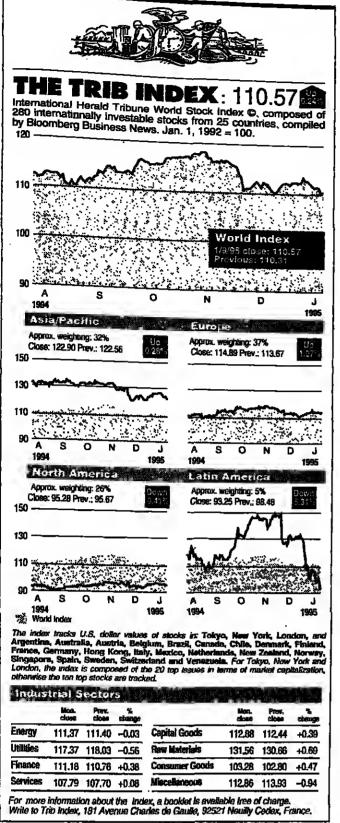
Polgar had not quaims about returning a pawn with 26...Bd6 because 27 Bd4 cd 28 Kd4 Ke7 would simplify the endgame

would simplify the endgame into an easy victory for her.

After 29...Nc6, there could have come 30 Kc5 Bc3 31 bc
RIc8 32 Kc4 Ne5 33 Kd4 f6 34
Ra3 Rc6 35 Bf1 Ng4 36 Kd3
Nh2 37 Be2 Rg8 38 Nf1 Nf1 39
Bf1 Rg3 40 Kd2 a5 41 Ra5
Rgc3 with a countingly minning Rgc3 with a routinely winning ending for Black. Shirov gave



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### Warburg To Slash Its Bond **Business**

LONDON - S. G. Warburg Group PLC sounded a surpris-ing retreat from the debt markets on Monday. In a dramatic attempt to rein in costs, it announced that it would exit the business of trading many foreign bonds and slash its fixed-income trading operation by 180 people in one of the biggest downsizings to hit the City of London financial district in years.

The move comes less than a month after Warburg abandoned its plans to merge with America's Morgan Stanley & Co., plans that it had unveiled only the week before. "For Warburgs to downsize like this is quite a shock," said Johnny de la Hey, an analyst with Societe Generale Strauss Turnbull Securities. Trading in the debt mar-kets is a fairly serious cornerstone for global financial firms."

Warburg said that the cutbacks were designed to save £25 million (\$39 million) a year. Abandoned will be trading in such large-scale bonds as those of Germany, France and Italy. Instead the firm will hold on, in addition to its trading in British bonds, to those of the United States, Australia and New Zea-

Warburg's chief executive, Lord Cairns, said a review of Warburg's fixed-income businesses over the last six months had "resulted in the decision that significant changes are necessary in this area."

In the City of London financial district, the question was what comes next to the chopping block at the firm.

In the United States, CS First Boston Inc. will lay nff about 150 employees in the next two weeks as part of a wave of dismissals begun in the fourth quarter last year, Bloomberg Business News reported from New York.] - ERIK IPSEN

### Japan Tastes U.S. Apples

By Paul Blustein

Washington Post Service
TOKYO — American apples finally made
it into Japanese supermarkets on Monday after years of complaints from Washington that Tokyo was using ridiculously strict sanitation regulations in keep imports out.

Now, having passed extensive inspections, the U.S. apples are facing their final burdle in convincing Japanese consumers like 62 yearold Takikn Azuma.

Ms. Azuma, who is accustomed to the plump, juicy and generally flawless fruit pro-duced in Japanese orchards, was shopping late Monday at a Tokyo supermarket shortly after it received one of Japan's first shipments of Washington state apples. As a battery of TV cameras zeroed in and reporters bovered close with pens poised, Ms. Azuma sampled a sliver of Golden Delicious.

"It's a bit sour," she declared with a gri-mace. But Red Delicious, she said, were "sweet and tasty." Delighted with the low price of about 50 yen (50 cents) apiece, she bought five.

So began the latest effort by an American industry to rack up sales in the world's second-largest economy, and so ended a trade dispute that has been highlighted by frequent allegations that Japan's market is full of welldisguised import barriers

The Agriculture Ministry, while proclaiming the apple market open in 1971, barred all but limited imports of Korean apples in subsequent decades on the grounds that most imports were not sufficiently protected

against pests and plant diseases that might harm Japan's pristine nrchards. But the United States and other appleexporting countries argued that Japan's regu-

latinns were far more stringent than any nther country's, and that the real reason was a desire to protect Japan's pulitically powerful apple growers.
U.S. trade officials cited the apple-import

regulations as an unfair trade barrier 10 years ago, and President Bill Clinton's administranon turned up the heat substantially, backed by congressional representatives from Washington state. The administration acknowledged that the sale of U.S. apples in Japan would barely make a dent in the two countries' \$60 billion trade imbalance but asserted that the Japanese regulations constituted a particularly offensive example of back-door protectionism.

Japanese authorities responded by permit-ting imports of New Zealand apples last summer, and in August they said they were satisfied that certain Washington state orchards had taken sufficient measures to eliminate dangers from viruses and moths. The first boatloads of apples from those orchards eleared customs Monday.

The biggest problem facing American apples is that the Japanese Fuji variety is, by nearly universal accord, has much more flavor. Japanese growers go to extravagant lengths to give Fujis even-colored skin and firm texture, often wrapping each apple while still nn the tree.

In addition, American Delicious apples are expected in sell at 70 to 80 cents apiece, nnt much less than the price of about \$1 for ordinary small Japanese apples.

### France Presses for TV Quotas

By Tom Buerkle

tional Herald Tribane BRUSSELS - The French government stepped up its campaign to tighten quotas on European television programming on Monday, promising to press ahead with a tough legislative proposal next month despite calls from industry and politicians for reconsideration.

Underlining the importance Paris attaches to the issue, Culture Minister Jacques Toubon and Nicholas Sarkozy, the budget minister and spokesman for the French government, met here Monday with the outgoing president of the European Commission, Jacques Delors,

and the incoming EU commissioner for culture, Marcelino Oreja, to ensure that a TV proposal is not delayed by the transition to a new team of commissioners later this month.

Aides to Mr. Toubon and Mr. Oreja said the proposal would be stricter than one that was blocked as too rigid last week by Sir Leon Brittan, the trade commissioner. The new proposal would prohibit television stations from reducing the percentage of European programming below levels recorded in 1994.

French officials said that

leeway to skirt a requirement to show a minimum of 51 percent European programmin

"We want flexibility on condition that there will not be fewer European works in five years that there are today," said an aide to Mr. Toubon, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Aides to both men said Mr. Oreja intended to launch a debate on the proposal at one of the new commission's first meetings in February. That would allow European Union culture ministers, who must enclause was needed to toughen act any legislation, to begin disthe previous proposal, which cussing it at a meeting in Borwould give broadcasters some deaux, France on Feb. 13.

### **Grand Met Likes Mexican Flavor** Of Pet's Brands

By Erik Ipsen

LONDON - Grand Metropolitan PLC jumped into the fast-growing U.S. ethnic foods market on Monday, announcing that it had agreed to buy Pet Inc., the maker of Old El Paso Mexican foods and Progresso soups, for \$2.64 billion. For Britain's Grand Metro-

politan, the world's largest alcoholic beverage company, the deal with Pet marked its largest acquisition since 1989, when it paid £3.2 billion (\$5 billinn) for Pillsbury Co. Now, as then, the news received a poor reception nn the stock market. Shares of Grand Met fell nearly 7 percent

on Monday, to 379 pence.
Analysts said investors were concerned about Pet's premium price. They noted that at \$26 per share, it is being bought for the equivalent of 23 times the earnings posted last year. Pet's shares were up \$5,375, at \$25.50, in late trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Grand Met said it would pay for the acquisition by issuing up to \$720 million in convertible notes, with the remainder of the price being funded out of existing cash resources.

Analysts also expressed concern over the effect of the deal on Grand Met's debt. The deal would raise Grand Met's net debt to £3.3 billion, making its debt-to-equity ratio 1-to-1.

Still, many observers lauded the deal as giving Grand Met an in the United States - ethnic, and paricularly Mexican, foods. Yes, Pet looks expensive, but so did Pillsbury when they bought it, and Grand Met has turned that into a first-class business, an analyst in London said.

One problem Grand Met will Paso and Progresso products, reported.

which have been losing U.S.

market in recent years. "If Grand Met can get the marketing right, they should be able to grow those brands by 10 percent a year in the U.S.," predicted Charles Winston, an analyst with Morgan Stanley & Co. in London.

In America, analysts noted that in spite of maintaining profit margins well above the

Colgate will buy American Home's oral-care unit for \$1 billion. Page 10.

norm, Pet's sales in the past three years have been flat. "It has been one of those companies where you you change the year and just keep your revenue estimates," said Tim Rooney, an analyst with C.J. Lawrence in New York. "The problem with Pet was that they had good brands but did not have deep enough pockets and the scale to play very aggressively."

The Grand Met takeover is

widely seen as addressing those problems. The deal would merge Grand Met's Pillsbury with Pet. forming a combined company with annual sales of about \$5.6 billion, which would make it the seventh-largest U.S. food com-

That leap in the ranks from 14th position would put Pills-bury/Pet just ahead of Campbell Soup Co., which just last month made a grab for a part of the Mexican food market with important window on one of the the \$1.1 billion purchase of few fast-growing food segments Pace Foods Ltd., the leading U.S. salsa maker.

■ Unigate Buys Dairy Firm Unigate PLC, a British food distributor, said Monday it acquired Prodipal, a French yogurt producer, and intends to buy Vedial SA, a low-fat spread maker, for a total of £65.1 million. Bloomhere Business News have to overcome is the lackius-ter performance of Pet's Old El lion, Bloomberg Business News

### Thinking Ahead /Commentary

### The Real Lesson of Mexico's Crisis

By Reginald Dale

International Herald Tribune **TASHINGTON**—The sound of investors baying in anger tractive, It is particularly unappealing when they are blaming some not Mr. Zedillo but his predecessor, Carone else for their own bad judgment.

So it is not hard to sympathize with Mexico's new president, Ernesto Zedillo Ponce de Leon, who has been the whip-ping boy of much of the U.S. and world financial community since he was forced to devalue the peso just before Christmas. This, of course, is the same financial

community that, until three weeks ago, had been touting Mexico as one of the world's most desirable investment havens — one reason, perhaps, why the outcry has been so unusually bitter.

The markets' distress at the sudden

change of fortune, which has wiped billions of dollars off the value of foreign holdings in Mexico, has inevitably led to a series of overreactions. It has caused the peso to fall too far and created irrational ripples in other Latin American markets. Mr. Zedillo's

reputation has been excessively black-ened and the real lessons of the crisis have been obscured. Worst of all, Mexico's unhappy experience is being used as ammunition by those who want to slow or reverse the ing himself to be more realistic. He has

that is sweeping the Western Hemi-

tide of economic and trade liberalization

mit. But these have been largely of timing and style. In substance, the economic plan that Mexico has now adopted is on the right track - and Mexico's longof investors baying in anger term economic prospects in many ways over lost money is never at- look healthier than they did before. If anyone is to blame for the crisis, it is

> Mexico's economic plan is on the right track, and the long-term economic prospects look brighter than they did before.

los Salinas de Gortari, whose parting gift to his country turned nut to be a short-fused financial time bomb.

That is not to belittle Mr. Salinas's achievements as a champion of free-market principles and noninflatinnary growth. But those very achievements — and his now-faltering bid to lead the new World Trade Organization — in the end led him to overestimate the distance he had put between Mexico and other developing countries.

pledged not to repeat Mr. Salinas's mistakes of over-valuing the currency and funding the country's debts with short-Of course Mr. Zedillo and his team term money that can flow out as quickly have made mistakes, as they readily adas it flows in. That is a good lesson for

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other developing countries, such as Brazil. But the biggest lesson is that the dismantling of economic borders is not part of Mexico's problem, but a large part of the answer. The peso crisis is not a reason for slowing the move to wider economic integration in the Americas, but

rather for pressing ahead with it.
Without the North American Free Trade Agreement Mexico could have been tempted to respond to the currency crisis with the destructive concoction of protectionism and government intervention to which Latin American governments have so often resorted in the past. Instead, Mexico is accelerating the

move to a more open econnmy, and it is relying on NAFTA to ensure continued access to the U.S. and Canadian markets as its exports become more competitive. That may not be to the taste of U.S.

opponents of NAFTA, who are already arguing that the peso's devaluation means that cheaper Mexican exports will destroy more American jobs.

It is true that the trade balance is now likely to swing in Mexico's favor. That is the whole point. But the impact on the U.S. economy will be minnte and the U.S. job market is looking astonishingly

The fundamental flaw is to suppose that freer trade is meant only to benefit Americans and not their trading partners. That is almost as unattractive a philosophy as the belief that other countries must guarantee U.S. investors a profit, regardless of their own economic

### Investors for All the T-Bonds in China benchmarks where wild specu-lation now rules. various areas on a step-by-step central government in 1981, the sale of treasury bonds now fi-

By Kevin Murphy

SHANGHAI - While foreign investors fret about their exposure to Chinese stocks, the big money here is pouring into government bonds.

There may soon be room for foreigners, too, traders and analysts said, if the government succeeds in bringing a volatile but potentially massive market up to international standards.

As Beijing struggles to gain control of China's fast-growing, rapidly changing economy, it is pushing to develop a sophisticated bond market that would help it adjust its money supply and establish investment

lation now rules. China needs to make the

bond market work to help fi-nance its ambitious modernization plans.

Anthorities may find the local debt market easier to oversee than a stock market, where the rights of share ownership pose ideological questions. "The government would like

to push the development of the bond market, and we would like to see greater stability in it," a Chinese official involved in securities-market regulation said.

"1995 will be an important year of improvement fur the government-securities market. First used as a fund-raising we will try to make progress in exercise of last resort by the

foreigners would need to be brave to invest in local bond markets because China's currency is not yet freely convertible. "I don't think you can find a 150 billion yuan (\$17.7 billion). precedent anywhere for some of

the things happening in the Chinese bond market today," said Zhang Yichen, executive vice president of Springfield Financial Advisory Ltd., a company that helps Chinese authorities with planning. "But if they carry out all the changes, they're talking about we reall soon see a very out all the changes and the changes of ing about, we will soon see a very different market here."

Even if they were allowed in, nances much of China's growing budget deficit.

Traders are preparing for a sale of bonds expected later this year that is rumored to be worth

The conditions under which this year's sale will proceed should provide many clues to finalize plans for the 1995 issue.

Relatively few bonds are ac-See CHINA, Page 13

### **IBM Shuffles** Management Of 2 Units

By Lawrence M. Fisher New York Times Service NEW YORK — Internation-

al Business Machines Corp. announced an executive reshuffling Monday aimed in part at enhancing its software business. The shifts fullow the abrupt resignation last week nf Ellen Hancock, a senior vice president of IBM's software and

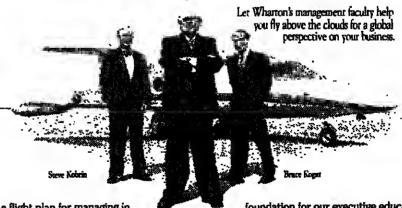
networking systems divisions. Ms. Hancock, 51, was given responsibility for the software division eight months ago, but analysts said Louis Gerstner Jr., IBM's chairman, had been unhappy with the \$11 billion unit's performance. Ms. Hancock will be succeeded by John M. Thompson, currently senior vice

president and group executive in charge of operating systems de-velopment for IBM.

Mr. Thompson should bring IBM's software business greater unity and a marketing focus, said Bob Djurdjevic, president of Armex Research, a consulting firm based in Phoenix. "IBM is without doubt the largest software company in the world yet the perception is that they're nobody," he said. "

On the marketing and services side of the company, Robert La-Bant, 49, senior vice president and group executive of the company's North American business, also resigned. His position -285 hess, also resigned his position -280 will be filled by Ned Lauten-+130 bach, 50, senior vice president and chairman of IBM World Trade Corp., the company's international marketing unit.

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### **Inflation Data Keep** Big Board on Edge

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches NEW YORK --- U.S. stocks were mixed in a caudous market on Mooday as a sagging dollar and nervousness about upcoming inflation data drew strength from the market.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which had risen by 16.49

#### **U.S. Stocks**

points on Friday, closed 6.06 points lower at 3,861.35. Trading volume totaled 278.72 traded stock on Monday. million shares, down from 308.07 million on Friday. "The market's hesitation to-

day is the market's way of showing respect for the produc-er price report coming tomor-row," said Alfred Goldman, di-rose 1/8 to 51%. rector of market analysis for A.G. Edwards

were released after trading

million in the fourth quarter from \$340 million a year ago. Motorola rose ¼ to 58¼ while Intel climbed 1 to 66 and AMD rose \ to 58\.

Food shares posted some of the largest gaios after Pet agreed to be acquired by Britain's Grand Metropolitan. Pet shares rose 5% to 25% with oearly 16 million shares traded. making it the most actively

The agreement spurred active trading in other food stocks viewed as potential takeover candidates. H.J. Heinz rose 4

Unilever's American deposi-G. Edwards. tary receipts, meaowbile. Computer shares rose on ansurged 2 to 1174 since it oo ticipation of strong fourth- longer is a possible buyer of Pet quarter Motorola results, which and will not suffer dilution.

### **DOLLAR:** U.S. Fed Supports Peso

#### Continued from Page 1

pound rose to \$1.5635 from \$1.5495.

A similar swoop, from which the dollar had been just recovering, took place 10 days earlier, when word of the Mexican rescue package first reached financial markets. Foreign governments, led by the United States, are assembling an \$18

#### Foreign Exchange

billion emergency loan package to help stabilize the peso, which has lost more than one-third of its value against the dollar in the past month.

From that package, Mexico oo Monday drew \$500 millioo from the United States and \$83 million in Canadian dollars to belp replenish its foreign exchange reserves, which had falleo about 10 percent this year as it battled its financial crisis. Mexico closed out 1994 with \$6.15 billion in foreign exchange reserves and had only \$5.55 billion on Jan. 6. The Banco de Mexico, the nation's reserve bank, said most of the money was speot paying off short-term debt as investors moved their funds out of the

The hemorrhage of foreign funds indicated how far Mexico must go to regain confidence despite road-sbow reassurances by high-level delegations to New York, Loodon, and Tokyo. Mexican Brady boods,

by the U.S. government, were trading Monday at a yield of 12.92 percent - or about the yield that is being discussed for oew bonds to help roll over Tesobonos, or Mexican govern-

ment debt linked to the dollar.

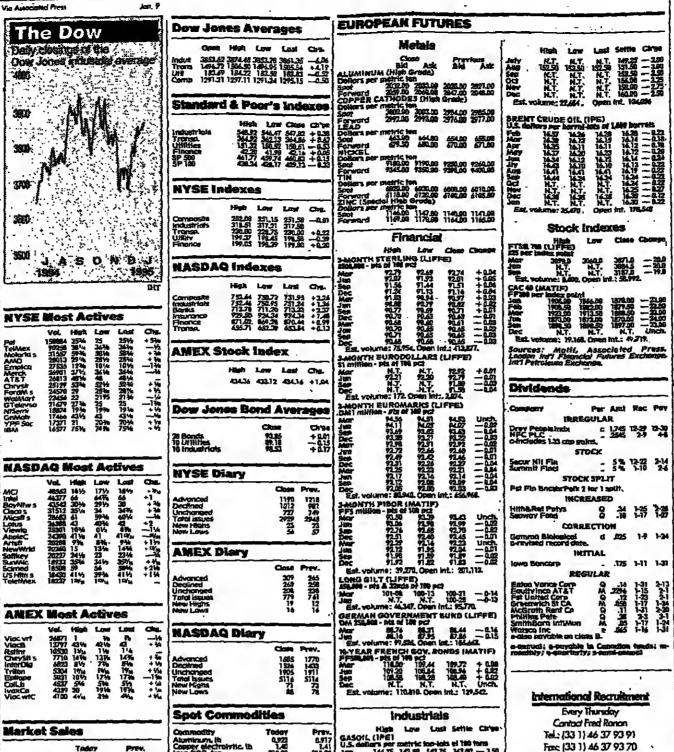
They'll bave to offer better terms than that and a guarantee as well," said Scott Kalb of Smith Barney, Shearson Ioc. "They are going to have to spend their reserves to pay off their foreign debt and that will mean oo money for new investment all this year. Nobody is going to ride to the rescue.

■ Yen Rises on Export Sales The dollar fell sharply against the yen Monday amid speculation that the United States would increase pressure oo Japan to open its markets to U.S. goods, Bloomberg Busi-oess News reported from Loo-

Most of the dollar's slide came after Walter F. Mondale, the U.S. ambassador to Japan. said the United States would impose trade sanctions oo Japan if trade talks failed. Mr. Moodale spoke in Washington, where oegotiations with Japan are being held.

Selling by Japanese exporters also dragged down the dollar,

Japan's \$60 billion annual merchandise trade surplus with the United States gives Japaoese exporters a plentiful supply of dollars they must convert to yen to bring moocy bome.



### Japanese Join Time Warner in Cable Venture

By Andrew Pollack New York Times Service

TOKYO - Time Warner Inc. and three partners announced Monday that they would invest about \$400 million to enter the relatively imdeveloped cable television business in Japan.

Time Warner will be teaming with Toshiba Corp., Itochu Corp., and US West Inc. The three partners are already shareholders of Time Warner Entertainment, the Time Warner division that owns the compa-

oy's cable systems, Home Box Office and the Warner Brothers movie company.

Development of cable television in Japan has been hamstrung by regulations. with the result that only a small percentage of households receive cable service here, compared with about 60 percent in the United States. Uotil recently, cable operators were required to have local ownership and were confined to one geographic area,

logical sophistication to introduce advanced services such as pay-per-view and video on demand.

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But the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, worried that Japan was missing a crucial link of the so-called information superhighway, liberalized the rules in

December 1993.
On Monday, Time and its three partners announced that they would set up a new company in Japan called Titus Communipreventing the emergence of large compia cations Corp. with an initial capitalization nies with the financial power and reclude of 2.76 billion yen, or about \$27.6 million. cations Corp. with an initial capitalization

### U.S./AT THE CLOSE

### Colgate to Buy Oral-Care Division

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — Colgate-Paimolive Co. said Monday that it will buy American Home Products Corp.'s Kolynos oral-care unit for \$1.04 billion. Kolynos, which markets toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouth rinse and dental floss, bas annual sales of about \$300 million.

Colgate said the acquisition will increase its worldwide market share by 10 percent to almost 50 percent, and its oral care sales to about \$2.5 billion. It also will augment Colgate's strong business

about \$2.5 billion. It also will augment Colgate's strong business in Latin America, which provides up 25 percent of its annual sales.

• United Stationers Inc. has entered discussions to be acquired by Associated Stationers Inc. for about \$258 million in cash, United Stationers aunounced Monday. Under the proposed merger, Associated Stationers would buy 92.5 percent of United Stationers' 18.6 million outstanding shares at \$15 each. Share-bridges who own the remaining 7.5 percent of United Stationers' holders who own the remaining 7.5 percent of United Stationers shares would hold 19 percent of the stock of the combined company, which still would be publicly traded under the name United Stationers. (AP-DJ)

 NBD Bancorp has agreed to buy Deerbank Corp. for \$120 million, the companies said Monday. The deal calls for each share of Deerbank common stock to be exchanged for \$45 in NBD. common stock, the companies said. (Knight-Ridder) Signers AG is in discussions to buy Pyramid Technology Corp., a struggling mainframe computer maker, for about \$202 million, the companies said Monday.

(Bloomberg)

### U.S. and Japan Near Service Accord

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The United States and Japan have nearly concluded a deal oo opening Tokyo's financial services market, but the auto sector remains a problem, U.S. and Japanese

officials said Monday.

The agreement would cover access to public and private pension funds, areas of underwriting now off-limits to con-Japanese firms, and the elimination or reduction of controls on cross-border goods, said the U.S. ambassador, Walter F. Mondaie.

#### **Intel Leads Semiconductor Market**

SAN JOSE, California (AP-DJ) - Intel Corp. led the semiconductor market last year with a 9.2 percent market share on revenues of \$10.12 billion, according to figures released Monday

by the computer research firm Dataquest. The San Jose-based maker of computer microprocessors has held the largest market share for three years. Its revenues last year rose 27 percent from \$7.97 billion in 1993. NEC Corp., Toshiba Corp., Motorola Inc. and Hitachi Ltd. rounded out the list of topfive semiconductor suppliers.

Dataquest also reported that the semiconductor market reached \$109.7 billion in revenue last year, up 28 percent from \$85.6 hillion in 1993.

#### For the Record

Younkers Inc. rejected a sakeover bid by Carson Pine Scott & Co. on Monday, calling the \$152 million offer "grossly inadequate," and urged stockholders out to sell their shares to Carson. It was the second time in less than three months that directors of Younkers, a Des Moines, Iowa-based department store company, have rejected a takeover proposal by Carson, the Milwaukee-

Litton Systems Inc.'s patent related to the manufacture of a ringlaser gyroscope was declared invalid Monday by a U.S. District Court judge in Los Angeles. The technology is used to stabilize and oavigate commercial aircraft. The judge ruled for Honeywell Inc., which had been accused by Litton of having infringed oo its (Bloomberg)

#### **Weekend Box Office**

LOS ANGELES - "Dumb and Dumber" dominated the U. S. box office again with a gross of \$9.2 million over the weekend. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers, based on Friday ticket

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# Airbus Outpaces Boeing Orders For First Time

TOULOUSE, France - Airbus Industrie announce Monday that it had won more orders in 1994 than the rival Boeing Co. of the United States.

The four-nation European aircraft consortium said it received 125 orders for new pas-senger jets in 1994, up from 38 orders io 1993. It suffered 54 cancellations of previous orders last year, compared with 69 cancellations in 1993. Airbus said the oew orders in 1994

were worth \$9.1 billion. A spokesman for Boeing in Seattle told the International Herald Tribune the company had received orders for 120 aircraft. The total value of these

orders was \$7.5 billion, he said. Airbus delivered 123 planes last year, generating revenue of \$8.5 billion, down from \$8.7 billion in 1993.

Jean Pierson, president of Airbus, said be hoped the European consortium would be able to surpass Boeing io the oum-ber of planes sold again in 1995. He stopped short of proclaiming a recovery in the glob-

al aircraft industry. The aircraft market has been in a severe slump since 1990, though last year was significantly better than 1993.

Mr. Pierson said he hoped Airbus would capture 50 percent of new orders for aircraft

worldwide this year. Airbus is believed to have about 35 percent of the world commercial jetliner market, while Boeing has about 60 percent and McDonnell Douglas Corp.about 5 percent.

Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect

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Airbus got a big boost on Dec. 29, when it announced that International Lease Finance Corp. had placed firm orders for 30 aircraft and had taken options on 10 more. Analysts estimated that the deal was

worth up to \$1.8 billion. Airbus said that its order backlog at the eod of 1994 was 615 aircraft, worth around \$51.8 billion.

Because the consortium is backed by four separate governments, Airbus does not pubhish net earnings.

Mr. Pierson refused to provide numbers on profitability. but said that the consortium made an operating profit in 1994 for the fifth year in a row.

The Airbus consortium is comprised of Aerospatiale of France, British Aerospace PLC, Construcciones Aerooauticas SA of Spain and Deutsche Aerospace AG of Germany.

Mr. Pierson said Asia was the only region from which it expects strong orders in 1995, for both Airbus and Boeing

He said he did not believe the European market would see much consolidation over the next few years, despite the precarious condition of several major European carriers, including Iberia, the Spanish airline.

"This is Europe," Mr. Pierson said. The Spanish government "will find a way" to keep Iberia aloft, regardless of EU rules, he said.

Iberia is seeking European Union approval of a \$1 billion aid package from the Spain. (AP. Bloomberg, Reuters)

### New Low in Bank Battle Deals Cost UBS Investors \$6 Billion

By Nathaniel C. Nash New York Times Ser

FRANKFURT - A battle for control of Switzerland's largest financial institution. Union Bank of Switzerland, has entered a new stage, causing a loss of confidence in the bank and leaving investors with paper losses of \$6 billion.

In the latest chapter of what many financial analysts call the messiest takeover fight in the country's history. Zurich has been rocked since Christmas by the disclosure in a local newspaper of the identity of a major owner of Union Bank shares, Karl-Heinz Kipp, a retired German billiooaire.

Mr. Kipp reportedly backed management against an attempt to seize control of the bank by Martin Ebner, a Swiss financier who has tried to seize cootrol of the bank through his investment company BK Vision, Union Bank's largest shareholder. BK Vision is part of Mr. Ebner's BZ Group, which controls about 18 percent of Unioo Bank's registered shares and about 5 percent of its bearer shares.

The news about Mr. Kipp illustrated what many bankers say was the kind of costly deals that Union Bank had to offer investors to win its proxy battle against Mr. Ebner at a special

shareholders' meeting on Nov. 21. In Mr. Kipp's case, the bank agreed to buy his shares this June at October 1994's prices, effectively guaranteeing he would lose no value if the shares plummeted

Analysts say that the bank oow has a paper loss of \$84 million just on the block of 1.45

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million registered Union Bank shares held by Mr. Kipp — those where voting power is restricted to Swiss residents — and that the loss has been only part of the cost of winning its takeover battle against Mr. Ebner.

Adding spice to the story is the fact that Mr. Kipp was among the largest clients of Mr. Ebner's bank, BZ Bank of Zurich, and that the very shares Union Bank agreed to buy from Mr. Kipp were on deposit at BZ Bank.

In November, by a tiny margin. Union Bank's management won a proxy battle with Mr. Ebner that will permit the bank to strip its registered shares of their voting advantage. The shares — which carry a cominal value of 20 Swiss francs, one-fifth the 100 francs of the bearer shares - now have one vote, as do the bearer shares. The registered shares also trade at about one fifth of the price of the bearer shares, which rose 10 francs, to 1,042 on Monday; the bearers ended up 5, at 235. Both have fallen about 20 percent since November.

Having lost the proxy battle, Mr. Eboer plans to challenge the legality of trimming the registered shares' voting power.

BK Vision, Largest Shareholder, Sues BK Vision filed suit against the bank Monday, challenging the legality of the bank's capital reorganization, Bloomberg Business lews reported from Zurich.

On Friday, Union Bank said it planned a countersuit seeking 150 million Swiss francs (\$115 million) from BK Vision for possible harm caused by the investment fund's legal action.

### **BT Plans** German Pact With VIAG

Bloomberg Business News

MUNICH - VIAG AG and British Telecommunications PLC on Monday appeared ready to announce an alliance that would expand the German utility's telecommunications business and give BT an entry into the German market.

The companies scheduled simultaneous press conferences for Tuesday. Neither would confirm reports of a possible alliance, but neither denied it.

Under current rules, BT would be permitted to run data services for businesses in Germany. Voice traffic, by the far the most lucrative service, would be permitted as long as it serves only the internal voice requirements of a company, including

British Telecom would be taking on Deutsche Telekom AG, Germany's state-owned telephooe monopoly, on its home turf. Together with its U.S. part-ner, MCI Communications Corp., BT would be facing off against an alliance between Deutsche Telekom, France Telecom and Sprint Corp.

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• Saatchi & Saatchi Co. received resignations from three executives following the departure of Maurice Saatchi.

• General Electric Co.'s NBC launched a business channel in Europe, following Renters Holdings PLC and ahead of similar services planned by Dow Jones & Co., the British Broadcasting Corp. in conjunction with Pearson PLC, and Bloomberg Business News. NBC said that it also intended to start a business televisioo service in Asia in May.

 Saudi Arabia's financial austerity program has slasbed its foreign debt to \$15 billion from \$40 billion.

• Glaxo PLC said its ulcer drug Zantac, the world's biggest selling prescription medicine, has been cleared by the British government for sale over the counter.

 Trafalgar House PLC, which launched a bostile bid for Northern Electric PLC in December, confirmed it has the backing of the necessary 10 percent of Northern Electric shareholders to convene a shareholders' meeting of the target company that may change rules limiting maximum share ownership to 15 percent.

• Banco Comercial Portugues said it was launching a second takeover attempt of Banco Portugues do Atlantico.

• Philips Electronics NV said it planned to buy a majority stake in the state-owned Polish lamp factory Polam Bielsko.

• SEAT, the troubled Spanish unit of Volkswagen AG, is to be struck by workers oo Tuesday in the first of two planned ooe-day Bloomberg, Renters, AFP, AFX, AP

### East's First English Daily Closes Shop in Prague

By Jane Perlez

New York Times Service WARSAW -- The first English-language daily newspaper in Eastern Europe has folded after only six weeks, with the publisher conceding that the paper had failed to find enough

readers in Prague. The Bohemia Daily Stan-

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English-speaking business executives, diplomats and travelers, ended publication on Dec. 21.

"We thought we had a magic formula for capturing all the diplomats and businessmen in dards of the English-speaking town," said the publisher, Erik community in Prague, which is Best, who also publishes a daily fax oews summary of items ap-

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dard, introduced in November pearing in the main Czech estimated the desire for a general with high hopes of appealing to newspapers. "We got their attention but not their readership. They knew about it but were not reading it.

The circulation was indeed

very small, even by the stanestimated at about 20,000. At the end, the paper was selling about 1,000 copies a week. "We wanted to be in the 2,000-to-2,500 range after a mooth," Mr. Best said, "and we were doing

about half that? Mr. Best appears to have over-

daily newspaper with articles about the Czech Republic written by a staff of local reporters and coverage of international news provided by wire services.

As the publisher of The Fleet Sheet, a daily summary of news concentrating oo business developments in the Czech Republic that is faxed to subscribers. Mr. Best said be was reluctant to have the daily paper carry too much oews that would compete with his profitable fax publication. The Fleet Sheet costs \$750 a year.

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# Foreign Banks Will Branch **Into Beijing**

BELJING — Several foreign banks will soon be able to open branches in Beijing, a top executive at the Chinese central bank said Monday, but he contradicted an official news report that the branches could operate only with a Chinese partner.

At the moment, there are about 130 foreign-funded banks in China operating in 13 cities, including Sbenzhen, Shanghai, Gnangzhou and Da-lian. But in Beijing, the government only allows representative offices to be opened.

Di Weiping, deputy director of the foreign affairs department

### China to Reduce Trademark Time

BEIJING — China, facing a trade war with the United States over infringement of patents and copyrights, said Monday that it planned by next year to have cut the time for registering a trade-

mark to 12 months from 20. A computer network of trademark management will become operational in 1996, Xinbua news agency said, quoting Wang Zhongfu, head of the say State Administration of Industry and Commerce.

China last week ordered a national boycott of pirated goods, intensifying a campaign to avert a potentially disastrous trade war with Washington. Piracy is

Chen Yun, a deputy governor of the People's Bank of China, told the Hong Kong China, central to the deepening rift be-tween Beijing and Washington, which on Dec. 31 threatened to punish China with tariffs on \$2.8 billion worth of its exports starting Feb. 4 unless it acted to meet

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tually available to traders be-

cause most have been pur-chased by individual investors who generally hold them until they reach maturity. Second-

ary-market trading in some is-

Investors have turned instead

to 16 futures contracts on six

During November, bond fu-

tures turnover broke three

Shanghai records. It peaked at

66 billion yuan on Nov. 22., ac-

counting for 99 percent of the

exchange's volume on that day. In recent weeks, securities of-

ficials have warned against vari-

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schemes discovered in the fren-

zied trading of bond futures. Some firms have allegedly col-

luded to drive prices up in the thinly traded cash market for

bonds; several have been sus-

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market," Mr. Zhang of Spring-field Financial Advisory said.

He designed the contracts now

traded in Shanghai. Trading misbebavior bas

sparked some fears that Beijing

might cancel Treasury-bond fu-tures trading. But officials ap-pear to think the benefits of

bond-futures trading outweigh

Futures trading has helped drive the yield on a 1992 five-year bond down to the 11 per-

cent-to-12 percent range from 21 percent to 22 percent in the past

12 months, even though annual

inflation was around 24 percent higher over the same period.

The new trading action has

Government bonds will also

also awakened investors to the

advantages of investing in trea-

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help breathe life into the corpo-

rate bond market by providing benchmark yields for various maurities. The corporate mar-

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markets by increasing liquidity

Rather than ban futures trading, the Ministry of Finance is likely to bring more order to the

confidence, analysts said.

"A successful futures market

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at the People's Bank of China, said the central bank was "in the process of selecting among several dozen foreign banks" those that would be allowed to open branches in Beijing.

"We have received the general authorization from the state council," Mr. Di said. "It will take at least weeks, or a couple of months, before we announce our decision.

He said a limited number of banks, perbaps three or four, would be allowed to open branches in the first phase of the plan. The central bank will try to balance its selections among banks from North America, Asia and Europe.

"We need time to build up a supervisory capability in Beij-ing." Mr. Di said. "We are thinking of introducing more systematic licensing procedures after the first phase.

He called a report that foreign banks would only be al-lowed to open a Beijing branch with a Chinese partner, carried by the official Xinhua news agency, a "misunderstanding."

We are not going to consider this issue for the moment,"

#### m Yuan May Beat Target

China might make its currency freely convertible by 1998, two years earlier than Beijing's current target date, Agence France-Presse reported from

Chen Yun, a deputy governor told the Hong Kong China News Service that it remained Beijing's plan to make the yuan fully convertible by 2000. But "optimistically estimated" the goal could be realized by 1998, the semi-official Chinese news agency reported.

CHINA: Government Bonds Could Attract Foreigners

The government will also sell

issues with maturities of six

months and up to eight years

for the first time this year. Most

previous issues were for two

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That, along with foreign investment in the market, might be only a dream for now, be-

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than three years are now in- don't think 1995 will be the year

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# India Bank Puts Off Sale

**Politics Delay Record Equity Offering** 

Agence France Presse NEW DELHI -- The In-

dustrial Development Bank of India has postponed plans to raise 21.84 billion rupees (\$697 million) in India's largest-ever equity offering.

The issue, which was to have been launched Jan. 27, is being put on hold pending parliamentary approval, the state-owned bank said Sunday. The Industrial Development Bank, India's largest longterm lender to industry, did not set a new date for the sale.

Parliament, during its brief winter session last month. bad been scheduled to give the green light for the bank to restructure its capital base by approving an amendment to the bank's constitution.

But political turmoil over a sugar-import controversy, which prompted the resignation of three cabinet ministers, delayed ratification of the amendment by parliament's upper bouse. Approv-al will now bave to wait for a budget session due to be beld in February.

Directors of the Industrial Development bank met in Bombay on Sunday and de-

cided to postpone the share offering, newspapers reported Monday.

The federal cabinet said last week it would issue an ordinance enabling the bank to go ahead with the offering, so in-vestors were stunned by the last-minute postponement, the newspapers reported.

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#### **Ballot Worries** Stock Market

Compiled by Our Staff From Disposches NEW DELHI - Indian stocks fell for the fifth straight day on concern that the government may lose state elections and slow its program to bberalize the economy.

The national stock exchange index fell 1.4 percent, to 1,776.29. The index has fallen more than 3 percent in 1995.

Meanwhile, the Securities and Exchange Board of India said the country's stock markets were vulnerable to price manipulation. (Bloomberg, AFP)

ever, bave expired March 31, the last day of the financial year, and the bank's management was not confident it would be able to complete the allotment of shares to investors by that date, they said.

#### ■ Partial Privatization

The government on Monday offered investors up to 10 percent equity in six profit-making public-sector companies as part of a cautious privatization program.

Prospective buyers were invited to bid for shares in Indi-an Oil Corp.; Videsb Sanchar Nigam Ltd., the overseas telecommunications service that also is raising money via a public stock issue; Gas Authority of India Ltd.: Indian Tourism Development Corp.; Engineers India Ltd., and Kudremukh Iron Ore Co.

Bidding will open Wednes-day and close Jan. 21. Between 5 percent and 10 percent of the paid-up capital of the six companies will be sold.

Foreign institutional investors licensed to operate in India, overseas corporations and Indians living abroad will be eligible to bid.

### For Control Of Miner In Australia

**CITIC Aims** 

PERTH - China Interna-tional Trust & Investment Corp., Beijing's main invest-ment arm, said Monday it agreed to buy a controlling stake in Australia's Portman Mining Ltd. to develop a raw material supply line for China's growing steel industry.

Through its subsidiary Cl-TIC Australia, CITIC will take a 52.5 percent stake in Portman, a coal-and-iron ore concern, by purchasing 45 million new shares from the company, at 84 cents each, for a total price of 67.8 million Australian dollars (\$51.93 million). Portman shares rose 3 cents, to 72 cents.

In addition, CITIC will give Portman a 10-year loan of 30 million dollars to develop a coal mine in Queensland. CITIC Australia has formed

its strategy for developing its business focusing on the "primary and the resource industries in Australia, said Zhang Jijing, managing director of CI-TIC Australia. "The Portman Mining investment is part of that strategy."

(Bloomberg, Reuters)

#### ■ Beijing Defends Rockets China moved to maintain the image of its sputtering space program Monday, saying the failure of its most recent satellite launch would not jeopardize contracts to launch 30 satellites by the end of century, Bloomberg Business News re-

ported from Beijing. The coordinators of China's infant space program, China National Acrospace Corp., said the Long March rocket was not to blame for the failure of a domestic satellite to reach its or-(AP, AFP) bit on a launch last year.

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#### **Very briefly:**

News Corp. shares lell 15 cents, to 4.72 Australian dollars (\$3.62), amid concern about earnings and the future of the company's limited-voting preferred stock. The stock is now at its lowest point since November 1992.

 Australia reported a 1.3 percent fall in retail sales in November from October's record level. Analysts said the figures showed that Australia's rapidly growing economy may be slowing.

• The Philippine Central Bank will meet with Metro Pacific Corp., the winner of the right to develop real estate in Fort Bonifacio, a former U.S. military base; a central-bank source said the meeting aimed to prevent an influx of foreign cash from causing the government to overshoot monetary ceilings imposed by the International Monetary Fund.

• Pioneer Electronic Corp. said it would begin selling its satelliteassisted automobile navigation system in the United States to compete with a rival system by Sony Corp.

 Japan's machine-tool orders in November surged 43.9 percent from a year earlier, signaling an upturn in corporate capital investment, the Japan Machine Tool Builders' Association said.

 Exxon Corp. signed an agreement with Indonesia covering an estimated \$40 billion to be invested in an offshore gas project off the Natuna Islands in the South China Sea.

 New Straits Times Press (Malaysia) Bhd. reported a 26 percent rise in pretax profit, to 115.98 million ringgit (\$45 million), for the year to August 31, 1994. Revenue rose 26 percent, to 532.36

### Korea Bans Aliases in Land Deals

place in 1993.

SEOUL - President Kim Young Sam on Monday banned the use of false or borrowed names in real estate transactions in a measure aimed at slowing rising land prices and restoring fairness to the property market

The property real-name system is in line with the real-name system on all financial transac-

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# Master of the Slalom Slopes, Tomba Has Eye on Hollywood

By Christopher Clarey

New York Times Service

VIGO DI FASSA, Italy The young busky, as white as the snow on the peaks of the surrounding Dolomites, romped through the lobby of the hotel, wagging its tail at well-heeled guests.

In most five-star establishments, this would have been cause for considerable\_alarm, but here at the Hotel Corona, there were only beoevolent smiles. This husky belonged to Alberto Tomba, and just like its popular master, Yukon had been given the run of the place.

"This is Signor Tomba's second home," said a concierge, with just the right measure of reverence in ber voice. "Yukon! Like the river in

Alaska," hellowed Tomha, stroking the husky's alabaster coat and basking in the after-glow of a quiet dinner spent in the company of friends, his cellular phone and his girlfriend, Martina Colombari.

Tomba has indeed mellowed over the years. He no longer frequents the liveliest watering holes with his former regularity ("Four girls is too much for me now; two girls is O.K.," he joked), but he remains skiing's foremost personality and surely one of the few athletes in any sport who would choose to start an interview at 11 P.M.

Tomba has trained with varying degrees of diligence for several years in this well-touristed stretch of the Italian Alps, hitting the slopes in the not-tooearly morning with his private six-man entourage, including his coach, Gustavo Thoeni, an Italian skiing legeod in his own right who personally lays out the practice courses.

"Ski training is not always like a Sunday," said Thoeni, a former Olympic and world champion. "But with Alberto, were are maybe more Sundays ... with anyone else."

C: late, Team Tomba has been particularly upbeat. Tomba himself, fresh and trim after a revamped off-seasoo that included fewer but more intense workouts, has been brilliant in the early going.

Of the 10 races in which be has competed, the Italian bas won seven, sweeping all five slaloms, including one in Lech, Austria, in which be nearly had to stop in midrun to avoid missing a gate. He also won his first giant slalom in more than two years, in nearby Alta Badia in Friday, which was followed by Sunday's slalom triumpb.

That gave him 40 in World Cup competition, and tied him with Pirmin Zurbriggen for third place on the all-time victory list.

It also gave Tomba a commanding lead in this season's overall standings, oot to meotion a serious boost to a World Cup circuit that had to reschedale its way through a disastrously temperate December because of lack of snow in the

"I don't know what hap-pened exactly," said Tomba, who has been the overall World Cup runner-up three times, but has never won. "Everybody in Italy thinks I'm doing well be-cause my girlfriend came back to me. Maybe it was the training last summer that was good. Maybe I am more experienced. Maybe I am too experienced: 28 years old. That's old."

Whatever the explanation, the results represent quite a statement from a skier who usually saves his best for Olympic years. And therein lies a question: Just why is Tomba, winner of three Olympic golds and two silvers in three Winter Games, still putting his free spirit and sturdy physique through the rigors of training and competition when he has no intention of barreling on toward the 1998 Winter Olympics in Nagano,

"I'm skiing this year for my father and for my manager, Paolo Cornellini," Tomba said. At the end of last season, I told them: 'I can't ski anymore because my objective was the last Olympics in Lillehammer. So

stop, please!'
"But they said, 'Please Alberto, one more year.' My father thought I was strong enough to go on because I won four times in the World Cup last year and got second in Olympic Games. So I'm doing it, for them, for the sponsors, for the Italian people and I don't know who else."

Merrily negotiating his way through the obstacle course of English as a secood language, Tomba, whose fans call him "Tomba la bomba," soon got around to mentioning one more reason: the world skiing championships to be beld in early February in Sierra Nevada,

For all his capacity to rise to the occasion at the Olympics, Tomba often bas beeo a different sort of "la bomba" at the world championships.

He has competed four times in the biennial competition and has won only one medal: a bronze in the giant slalom at the 1987 championships in Crans-Montana, Switzerland. In 1989 and 1991, falls and errors wiped out his medal chances. In 1993 in Morioka, Japan, be saw more of his botel room than the slopes after catching the flu.

"Nothing, nothing and more nothing," Tomba said. "I need luck for the world champion-December, then woo another in ships. I have enough for the Kranjska Gora, Slovenia, on Olympics but maybe not enough for the worlds."

Many in the ski industry are clinging fervently to the hope that Tomba, the sport's only legitimate superstar, will keep trying his luck until 1997, when the world championships will be hosted by Tomba's favorite Italian resort, Sestriere, where he has woo six times, most recently in December in the first night race in World Cup histo-

"Tomba brings the sponsors, the media and the crowds," said Gianni Poncet, sports director

at Sestriere. "Of course we hope he continues."

Tomba does not dismiss the idea altogether, but despite his marvelous start this seasoo and the rich financial rewards he reaps from skiing, he is clearly imistic

"Almost for sure I won't ski the 1995-96 season," he said. Maybe I will stop for one year. I oeed to relax and quiet in '95-

and its mevitable by-products.
"I changed my life two or "I changed my life two or please take my picture with you, three years ago because I don't take a picture, take a picture." like to go out to a disco or stay

out too late," he said. "I have

"Here in Italy, it's too diffi-cult for me because I am alooe,"

96, then train again for '96-'97.

But I know it's very difficult to start over again."

Tomba continued. "For the soccer player, it's different. There are 11 gays, but nobody start over again."

In fact, the longer you talk to Tomba the wearier he sounds with his sport and the more distillusioned he sounds with face.

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There are 11 grys, but nobody helps me in sking. Eight years ago and in Calgary, it was easy. In Albertylle in 1992, it was illusioned he sounds with face. illusioned be sounds with fame too much: 'Alberto please, give normal. I won, but the pressure and its mevitable by-products. me an autograph. Alberto, was like 60 percent of what it is now. People just want more and more. In Italy, the press, they

live for one thing, my private life, my story. I don't like it."

newspaper in Bologna printed where I live in small print," Tomba said. "Wheo I got stopped last year by the police for speeding or something, it was in the newspaper with a was like 60 percent of what it is huge headline. It's like I killed someone. Tomba killed someone.' This is Italy."

Ask Tomba what he will do first when he stops skiing and

he answers, "Drink two bottles of red wine." Then he talks about Hollywood, Surprisingly, he is quite

"Somebody said after Calga-ry that I should come to Hollywood," be said. "Maybe it was a joke. I don't know. I don't even remember who said it, but I would like to make a movie. I like Stallone and Schwarzenegger. Maybe I could be oo skis, something like 'Cliffhanger.' Not 'Cliffhanger Two.' We oeed a new title, but I should stay on the snow, even for the movies, because the Italian people don't want me to change environment'

With the issue of his future resolved, Tomba looked fondly across the hotel dining room in the direction of Colombari, 20, a former Miss Italy who was giving a late-night interview of her own to an Italian reporter. "We are two years together,"

he said softly. For a moment, it seemed that the old Tomba had gone the way of the passenger pigeon and the manual typewriter. But then the new Tomba caught himself and slipped quickly back into character.

"Do me a favor," he whispered, "Don't tell Cindy Craw-ford."

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WASHINGTON - With about 24 hours to sort out a labor agreement or see the National Hockey League season canceled, negotiators returned to the bargaining table Monday after the locked-out players had unanimously rejected manage-ment's latest contract proposal.

Both sides now have overwhelmingly refused the other's so-called final offer.

The executive director of the NHL Players' Association, Bob Goodenow, in announcing the union's rejection of the proposal, said late Sunday: "I don't think that there should be optimism. We're, obviously, in a very serious, serious, very difficult situation."

"But, by the same token, I think that it's incumbent upon both sides to take every step and exert every bit of energy to see if there is a common ground," he added.

The likelihood of reaching a collective bargaining agreement by Tuesday's noon deadline would be "a daunting task," he

He and Commissioner Gary Bettman and their lawyers re-convened Monday in New York It was the first time in more than a month that the two had spoken face-to-face.

On Saturday night, the league's board of governors rejected the players' latest proposal, then announced a counterproposal with a take-it-orleave-it deadline of noon Tuesday.

Because both sides agreed to meet, there would seem to he at least a little flexibility in each of their positions. Or is there?

"I really don't know why they re meeting," said Dick Patrick, the president of the Washington Capitals, who reluctantly approved the board's counterproposal and said that it gave the players too much. "I don't know what's left to negotiate."

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Neither of the latest plans included a tax on team payrolls, which the union has refused to consider, calling it a salary cap. Instead, the proposals centered on the three other core issues free agency, entry-level salaries and salary arbitration.

Management offered unre-

stricted free agency to at age 32; the union wanted it at 30. Management proposed a rookie salary cap that would peak at \$825,000 for a firstround draft pick in the first year of the labor contract; the union countered with 5900,000. Management wanted to have the option to walk away from salary arbitration awards of at least \$500,000 — up to two per year; the union wanted it limited to one "walkaway," and for a contract of at least \$701,000.



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**NFL Playoff Summaries** 

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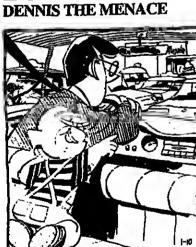
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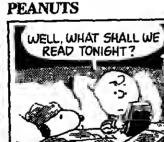
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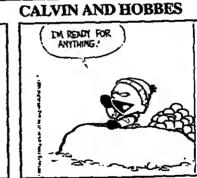
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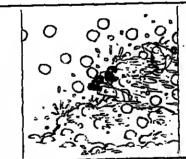
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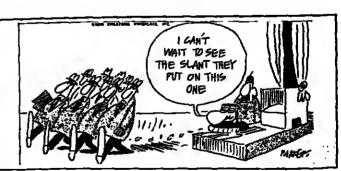






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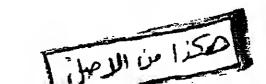
#### THE FAR SIDE

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Well, that cat's doing it again. Keeping that poor thing alive just to play with it awhile."







The Chargers' Natrone Means diving in for the third-quarter touchdown that, replays showed, should not have counted.

### Chargers Survive Wild AFC Game When the Dolphins' Kicker Misses

SAN DIEGO, California — In a week-end of National Football League playoff blowouts, the Miami Dolphins and the San Diego Chargers saved the best for last. Unfortunately for the Dolphins, their field goal kicker, Pete Stoyanovich, saved his worst for last.

Stoyanovich had succeeded on eight of 10 kicks from 40 to 49 yards this season, hut his try from 48 yards with six seconds left fluttered far right. And the Dolphios lost a chance to play in the Super Bowl at

They had led in this game for all but the final 35 seconds. They were halfway home, halfway to Super Bowl XXIX. And then lightning struck, a big blue bolt of a touchdown pass from Stan Humphries to Mark Seay for 8 yards and the extra point just before Stoyanovich missed.

It proved the difference, a 22-21 victory for San Diego before 63,381 fans, the largest crowd ever at Jack Murphy Stadium. And it likely was the happiest one ever.

"We saw it going to the right and looked at each other and there wasn't anything to say," said the holder, John Kidd, who once played for the Chargers. "The season was over." "I thought we were dead, even after we scored," said the Chargers' coach, Bohhy Ross said.

Stoyanovich didn't meet with reporters. The Chargers were one very lucky team. They survived three turnovers (the Dol-

phins had nooe). They survived 67 yards worth of penalties. They survived one passing assault after another by Dan Marino. They survived their own early ineptitude near the end zone.

Still, they will be playing in Pittsburgh next weekend, and hoping for more luck. That will be the American Conference championship game, with the winner gaining a berth in the Super Bowl on Jan. 29 in Miami's Joe Robbie Stadium.

Oh, how the Dolphins planned to be

But the Chargers, with 3:16 left, were down by 21-15 and began a drive at their 39. At the Miami 8, after an afternoon of futility inside the Miami 20, the Chargers called what may have been their most creative play of the season.

Seay lined up left, ran in motion right. ran back left and then turned around at the snap and sneaked in behind the Chargers'

offensive linemen. As he slipped across the middle and toward the right flat, the Dolphins' defense completely lost him. Humphries tossed the ball to him. Seay held on and with the extra point, San Diego had the lead with 35 seconds to go.

It appeared over hut it wasn't. The Dolphins, behind Marino and with the help of a 32-yard pass-interference call against safety Eric Castle, moved to the San Diego 30. Two incomplete passes later, six seconds were left. Io came Stoyanovich, ooe of the league's all-time most accurate and longest kickers. But a high snap seemed to throw off his timing, and Stoyanovich

"That's about as tough a loss as I've ever been around," said the Dolphins coach, Don Shula, "To see a team play as well as we played in the first half ... and then have it come apart the way it did in the second half is a bitter disappointment.

The Dolphins, holstered by three goalline stands, had led by 21-6 at halftime. But they had the ball for only 7 minutes, 22 seconds in the second half, and did not

"We didn't make any plays in the second half," Marino said. "We didn't seem like we were running the ball so well so we decided to throw,

They rushed for only 26 yards in the game and had 282 total yards, both season lows. The Chargers had a season-high 466 yards.

The Chargers' Natrone Means gained a career-high 139 yards oo 24 carries with one TD for the game. Humphries was 28of-43 for 276 yards and one touchdown, with two interceptions; Marino was 24-of-38 for 262 yards with no interceptions and one sack. His TD passes, of 8 and 9 yards to tight end Keith Jackson and one of 16 yards to Mike Williams, had made it Miami's game the first half.

But down by the 15 points starting the third quarter, the Chargers rallied by scoring nine that period. Following a safety by the defense, they finally got a touchdown instead of a field goal ooce deep inside Miani territory, and it came on a controversial play.

Means was credited with a 24-yard scoring run with 2:42 left in the quarter wheo replays showed he had gone out of bounds at the Miami 2, and when he may not have crossed the ball over the goal line.

No matter. It counted because the officials said so and Means could oot be faulted for the effort. With tackle Eric Jonassen pulling left to right and leading the way with power hlocks, Means did the rest, lowering his shoulder and fighting for the

"To go out there and not go as far as two years ago would mean we haven't grown as a football team," said Humphries, referring to an embarrassing 31-0 playoff loss at Miami two seasons ago in which he threw four interceptions. "No one expected us to

# Cowboys, If Maybe Not Smith, Are Ready for 49ers

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches IRVING, Texas - With the inteosity and efficiency of champions, the Dallas Cow-boys fulfilled their end of the NFC playoff bargain hy easily beating the Green Bay Packers.

35-9. Now comes the hard part, The Cowboys must play the more formidable San Francisco 49ers in next Sunday's conference championship game at Candlestick Park. And the Cowboys might have to play without star running back Emmitt Smith, who reinjured his sore left hamstring late in the

first quarter. "There's oo question Emmitt won't be well by oext Sunday,"

Russia, Finland, Slovenia, Country Y

European Basketball Tourney Draw

ATHENS (Reuters) - The draw, made Monday, for the men's European basketball championship, to be played in Athens on June 21-July 2: Group A — Sweden, Greece, Italy, Germany, Lithuamia, Israel, Country X. Group B — Croatia, Spain, France,

Teams of each group will play each other in a round-rohin tournament, with the four best qualifying for the quarterfinals of

Countries X and Y will qualify from a round-robin tournament

BALTIMORE (AP) - An investment group led by the Balti-

more Orioles' owner, Peter Angelos, has offered more than \$200

million for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers with the intention of hringing the NFL team to Baltimore, The (Baltimore) Sun reported.

The St. Petersburg Times reported that the trustees had already decided to sell the team to a group led by Tom Shannon, a Tampa developer. That group's bid is reportedly in the \$145 million to

\$165 million range, but the trustees were concerned that the NFL would oot approve Angelos' moving the team, the Times reported.

Chuck Knox was fired a coach of the Los Angeles Rams, while

Ki-Jana Carter, the Penn State tailback who was the Heisman Trophy runner-up, said he would waive his fifth year of eligibility

A Beijing to-Paris rally for vintage cars in October 1997, a rerun of the world's first trans-continental motor race 90 years ago, has been approved by the Chinese government, Britain's Classic Rally

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**Baltimore Group Bids for NFL Bucs** 

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For the Record

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"I always feel good about my chances," said Smith, who has missed only one game because of injury during his five-year NFL career. But that game was this year's regular season finale. which followed the Dec. 19 contest in which be pulled the ham-

"We'll go ahead and treat it as if I'm going to play," Smith said. "I'll prepare myself as if I'm going to play. Come game day, if it is feeling much better, I will play. I will go on the field one way or another,"

"It didn't feel as bad as it did said the Cowboys' trainer, Ke-when I hurt it in New Orleans," vin O'Neill, "He had three he added. "That's a good sign. I

weeks to get ready for this game and be wasn't well."

"I always feel good about my chances."

Despite Smith's injury, team-

mate Charles Haley said it is the Cowboys' "destiny" to win a unprecedented third consecutive Super Bowl and the rest of the team was equally confident, given the injuries, cootroversies and pressure it has dealt with all

This is the one that really counts," their coach, Barry Switzer, said of the encounter with the 49ers. "This is our opportumity to give it our best shot, which we didn't do last time."

The 49ers beat the Cowboys, 21-14, on Nov. 13 in Candlestick. The winner of Suoday's game advances to the Super Bowl against the American

between points.

perpetual; it doesn't really end."

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Sampras Seeks Changes

MELBOURNE - Pete Sampras, the world's top-ranked

tennis player, called Monday for sweeping changes in his sport, with a designated off-season, a refined computer rank-

ings system and the reinstatement of the 25-secood rule

The 23-year-old American, who is in Melbourne preparing

for the Australian Open, said the tennis seasoo should be

shortened, with fewer events, to allow players time to rest and recuperate. He said he would play fewer tournaments this year after over-committing himself in 1994.

"There really is no off-seasoo in tennis like there is in other

sports," Sampras said. In American "foothall and haseball

players have about three or four months off. Tennis is

"There are too many events on the tour right now," he

"I like playing a lot hut with Davis Cup and the two weeks

of major titles it's a lot of tennis and I'm scheduling more rest

The present ranking system, he said, compels players to

play week after week to protect their points.

The ATP Tour, in a bid this season to speed up the game,

has reduced from 25 seconds to 20 the time allowed between

points. Sampras said that what was needed was a more

"They have made this rule up on their own, and not asked me or any of the top guys what they think about it," he said. "They should keep the 25 seconds but enforce it. The 20-second rule

in this heat and long matches isn't really a lot of time."

added. "I'm scheduled to play 20 events and that's why I'm

not playing Davis Cup in the first tie and the second is still in

the air. It's because I need that rest after a major event.

In Never-Ending Sport

San Francisco encounter as the

most exciting matchup.
The Cowboys looked almost unbeatable against the Packers. And the way their offensive line was opening holes, just about anyone could have been carrying the ball.

Dallas opened with an impressive display of offense, defense and special teams, all choreographed to perfection. By the end of the first quarter the Cowboys had 191 yards of offense to Green Bay's 64.

Quarterback Troy Aikman who had all day to throw and was as sharp as he has been all season - found wide receiver

Football Conference champion, either Pittsburgh or San Diego.
But many fans view the Dallasthe game away early on with a 94-vard touchdown pass that was the longest in National Football League post-season history, bettering Elbert Dubenion's 93-yard catch in 1963 for Buffalo against Boston.

Dallas had three receivers

who gained more than 100 yards — Jay Novacek (11 catches for 104 yards), Michael Irvin (six catches for 111) and Harper (two for 108). That is only the second time in playoff history that has happened. (San Diego had three receivers do it against Miami in 1982.) Aikman finished a sparkling 23

of 30 for 337 yards, two touchdowns and one interception. He was sacked only once, and the feared Reggie White, who lined up over guard Wayne Newton for most of the game, had just four tackles and no sacks. "No one in this locker room isn't thinking we're going to the Super Bowl," said Irvin, who

before the game guaranteed a victory over Green Bay. "No ooe. If they have doubts, I don't want them in this locker room. We know what it takes, what we need to do.

The 49ers, however, do stand in their way. (WP, AP, NYT) Emmitt Smith: Rates chances as "very good."



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# Famed and Infamous Champ Monzon Dies

**BUENOS AIRES** — Carlos Monzon, the middleweight champion who was Argentina's greatest fighter, who hobnobbed with the European jet set and then was sent to prison for the murder of his estranged wife, has been killed when his car ran off a country road and overturned.

He was 52. Police said the accident bappened Sunday near Santa Rosa de Calchines, a small town about 300 miles (480 kilometers) north of Buenos Aires, as Monzon was returning to the Las Flores penitentiary.

The car was found by a farmer who drove a survivor, Alicia Guadalupe Sesia, to a hospital. Monzon's close friend, Geronimo Motura, also died in the

Monzon was convicted of killing his wife, Alicia Mufiiz, six years ago and sentenced to 11 years. On furlough for good behavior, he was allowed to spend weekends in the nearby provincial town of San Javier.

He knocked out the legendary Italian, Nino Benvenutti, in the 12th round to win the title in Rome in 1970. He retired in



Carlos Monzon crashed on his way back to prison.

in Monaco, still holding the ti-In his 14-year career he won

1977 after defeating Rodrigo 89 fights, 61 by knockout, while Valdez of Columbia, in a bout losing just three with nine showed Muñiz was strangled to draws and one no-contest. His the point of unconsciousness last loss came in 1964. He made a record 14 title death.

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defenses, and was elected to the Boxing Hall of Fame in 1983.

He made two title defenses against Emile Griffith, winning hy technical knockout in 1971 and on a 15-round decision in 1973. Eleven of his 15 title fights were in Europe and one of the best was against Jean-Claude Bouttier of France in a 15-rounder in Paris in 1973, when he became a friend of the actor Alaio Delon, who visited him several times in prison.

Born in a poor neighborhood of the provincial capital of Santa Fe, Monzon was one of 12 children. He shined shoes, sold newspapers and worked as a laborer before taking up hoxing and becoming a oational hero.

He and Muñiz, a Uruguayan model, met on a flight to Europe in 1978. He was convicted of killing her during a fight in which she fell from the balcony of a secood-story apartment in the Atlantic resort city of Mar del Plata.

Monzon said she had fallen accidentally, but an autopsy before she was hurled to her (AP, Reuters, AFP)

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#### ART BUCHWALD

### Inside the Beltway

only a highway to accommodate bumper-to-humper traffic, it has also become a metaphor for what is wrong with the Unit-

ed States. Every politician running for office hlames our troubles on the people "inside the Beltway." Almost everyone who won a national election

this year campaigned against the Washington insiders who

Buchwald had oo idea what "real" Americans wanted.

But oow the day of reckoning is here. The elected who have come to Washington must sit inside the Beltway and write the laws of the nation.

I was driving along near Exit 33 when I came across an incredible sceoe. Two federal marshals were bolding a bandcuffed man hy his arms, trying to shove him into an unmarked

"What's up, officer?" I in-

One of the marshals said, This is a newly elected con-gressman and he refuses to go inside the Beltway.'

The congressman was hlub-bering, "Please don't make me go in there. They'll eat me alive. I'll burn in bell. They'll plunge daggers in my hack." He tried to run, but the marshals held him tight.

#### Comédie-Française Reopens

Agence France-Presse PARIS - The Comedie-Française is to reopen this week after eight months of renovation work, The 900-seat theater reopens with Feydeau's "Occupe toi d'Amélie.'

Europe

WASHINGTON — The Capital Beltway is not only a highway to accommond to a highway to accommond to the beltway. We have electricity and telephones and even indoor plumb-

> The man was completely distraught. "I campaigned against those inside the Beltway - the bureaucrats and the big spenders who don't give a hoot about the little man. If I go in there oow, they'll tar and feather me."

"People inside the Beltway don't bold grudges except against the Washington Red-skins. I doubt if anyone remembers what you said about us during your election campaign." paign.

He tried to escape again.
"I'm going home to be with oormal folks, and I'll vote from there," the man said.

"You can't do that. The Constitution states clearly that a congressman must cast his ballot inside the Beltway for any legislation to become the law of the land. I've seen people like you come to this town afraid of their own shadow and in less than six months they're driving around Washington as if they wned it."

The congressman said, "If I go inside, will I be blamed for the deficit?"

"Of course not. Hillary Clin-ton is solely responsible for that, and Chelsea is to blame for all the money being wasted on our military cost overruns. If your middle-class constituents won't buy that, you can always offer them a tax cut."

The federal marshal said, 'Come on, sir. They're waiting for you to make a quorum." The congressman got into the

chicle reluctantly. Paul's Cathedral. For \$80 million, the Tate is count-"If I'm going to take my seat in Congress, I want an air bag to go with it." ing on a grant from the Millennium

The Tate's Designs on an Old London Power Plant Fund, which is being fed by profits from Britain's new National Lottery. By Alan Riding New York Times Service And if the money from the fund

L ONDON — Empire builder?
Nicholas Serota hardly looks the

part. His soft-spoken manner, rim-

at St. Ives, oo the Cornish coast.

plans to turn an abandoned power

statioo on the south side of the

Thames into Bankside, a museum for

modern art that will be even larger than its Millbank headquarters on

the north bank. The hranch is expect-

ed to open hy the year 2000. So, for all his self-effacing English-

ness, Serota is much in the oews these

days. He has enemies who mock his

taste in avant-garde art and accuse

him of self-aggrandizement. He has

admirers who applaud the way he has

run the Tate and are excited at the

prospect of a "new" Tate. But, either

way, Serota, 48, an art historian, has

the museum's future in his hands. That is not how he would put it.

He bows dutifully to the Tate's trust-ees as the real decision makers. He

bas only one vote on the five-member

jury for the prestigious annual

Turner Prize for contemporary art,

mooth will pick the architect for

Bankside from among six finalists in

a competition that began last fall.

But, in London art circles at least, no

He will need it in the coming

months. He is confident of squeezing the private sector for a third of the

\$120 millioo cost of transforming the

old Bankside Power Station, a mono-

lithic red-hrick huilding opposite St.

one doubts his influence.

which is awarded by the Tate. He is just one of 10 jurors who this

with a oervous laugh.

long haul," Serota said glumly. It would also be the first setback in less glasses and slim frame suggest an a charmed career. Born in London of aesthete rather than a power broker. He even grows edgy at the suggestion that as director of the Tate Gallery of Russian parents, Serota studied ecocomies at Cambridge but sooc switched to art history. After a stint at the Courtauld Institute, be worked London, he is displaying inordinate imperial ambitions. "Well, we're not doing anything abroad yet," be said for the Arts Council until, in 1973, at the age of 27, he became director of the Museum of Modern Art in Ox-Still, in the six years since be took ford. Three years later be took over as director of the Whitechapel Art over Britain's foremost museum of British and modern art, the Tate has opened two popular out-of-town branches, one in Liverpool, the other Now, in its most daring expansioo since it was founded in 1897, the Tate

doesn't come through? "It will be a

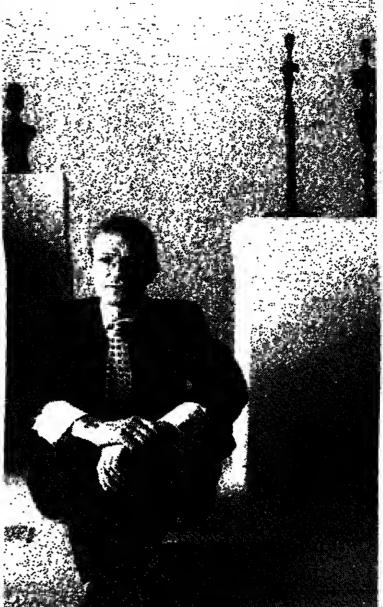
Gallery in London, as good a training as any for his position at the Tate.
Serota's new visibility will, he hopes, sway public opinion to the view that the Tate should be more than a poor cousin of the Museum of Modern Art in New York and the Pompidou Center in Paris.

The moment may be right. In the 1980s, while Paris was showing off I. M. Pei's glass pyramid at the Loovre, the Opera Bastille and the Grande Arche de la Défense, London was spoiling its skyline with mediocre high-rise office towers. Now, it seems, emharrassed by its reputation for indifference to culture, the Tory vernment favors marking the year 2000 with a few prestigious architectural projects.

Not that Serota has stopped looking enviously across the Channel. "I don't think we're doing things the proper way here," he said. "I think the state has a strategic role to play in culture, rather than one that simply responds to pressures. They do that in France, and they do it effectively."

A subversive view, perhaps, for someooe appointed by Prime Minister Margaret Thateber.

With 75 percent of its approximately 6,000 paintings and sculptures in storage, even with its displays at Millbank changing every year and part of its collection rotated to Liverpool and St. Ives, many works are oever seen. And its perennial lack of space is compounded by the museum's split personality: It is both a gallery of British art since the 16th century and a gallery of modern international art.



**PEOPLE** 

Nicholas Serota, sitting amid Giacometti sculptures at the Tate Gallery, is overseeing the expansion of the museum into a new branch.

The great appeal of the Bankside project is that it is a two-in-one solu-tion: It will provide more than 120,000 square feet (11,000 square meters) of new gallery space and also

permit the Tate to separate its collec-Millbank, which has the monumental Turner Collection in its adjacent Clore Gallery, will become the Tate Gallery of British Art, while Bankside will become the Tate Gal-

lery of Modern Art. A donation of \$18 million has enabled work to start on new galleries at Millbank, but the real challenge will be transforming the 85-acre (3.5-hectare) site at Bankside. The great industrial edifice that the museum will occupy was designed by Sir Giles Gilbert Scott in 1947 and built in two stages between 1948 and 1963,

when it began operating as a power station. It ceased operations in 1981. Today it stands empty, its square brick chimney reminiscent of an earlier era, its vast space — 500 feet long, 300 feet wide and 85 feet high - awaiting an architect.

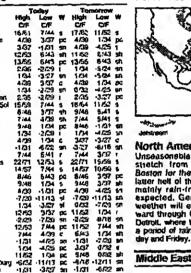
How daring will the choice of archi-tect be? In the first round of the competition, 148 architects submitted their names. In September, 13 were invited to present a rough draft of their ideas. Then came a surprise. When the six finalists were picked in November, only one, David Chipper-field, was British, and he was perhaps the least experienced.

Serota makes no secret of his preference. "I think a foreign architect doing something major on a museum in this city would be exciting for London," he said.

The foreign finalists are Renzo Piano of Italy, who designed the Kansai International Airport in Osaka, Ja-pan; Rafael Moneo, best known for the National Museum of Roman Art in Merida, Spain; Tadao Ando, who recently completed the Garden of Fine Art in Kyoto, Japan; Jacques Herzog and Pierre de Meuron of Swit-zerland, whose works include the gallery for the Goetz Collection in Munich, and the Dutch architect Rem Koolhaus, whose office redesigned the city center in Lille, France.

### WEATHER

### Forecast for Wednesday through Friday, as provided by Accu-Weather.





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THEY came to Graceland for a piece of Elvis Presley's birthday cake and a little bit of rock. "It's such an emotional thing to come over for his birthday," said Jill Bugg, who came from England to Memphis, Tennessee, for the King's 60th birthday celebrations. "So we pick up stones. We pick up sticks. We pick up anything we can to take back home." Bugg was among 300 partygoers from The Official Elvis Presley Pan Club of Great Britain. Groups also came from Australia, Germany, Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Japan, as well as the United States. Presley died in 1977, hut thousands go to Memphis each Aug. 16 (the day be died) and Jan. 8 (his birthday).

the door when the Oak Ridge Boys and other country music stars feted George and Barbara Bush for their 50th wedding anniversary at the Grand Ole Opry House in Nashville, Tennessee, Ricky Skapps, Loretta Lynn and other favorites of the former president stuck to their extensive repertory

John Wallach, the foreign editor for the Hearst newspapers and a writer, has been

of odes to family life and marriage.



The Bushes at the Grand Ole Opry.

named executive director of the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity. Wiesel established the foundation to organize forums on ethics and understanding after he received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1986.

An American version of "Absolutely Fabulous," the politically incorrect British TV comedy that has won fans on both sides of the Atlantic, is to be produced by the comedian Roseanne. Format rights to the BBC series - about a pair of narcissistic substance-abusing middle-aged London women — were bought from the show's creator and lead actress, Jennifer Saunders. Roseanne will not be starring in the show, to be called "Abfab," but guest appearances have not been ruled out.

John F. Kennedy Jr. is showing up daily 1. in New York to work on a monthly political magazine tentatively called George (as en ile not ex on newsstands until next year.

Prince Charles has done more damage to the monarchy than any other member of the royal family, according to a poll published The Guardian newspaper. Asked who had most damaged the monarchy, 51 percent named Charles, 20 percent picked the Duchess of York, and 14 percent named Charles's estranged wife, Diana.

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